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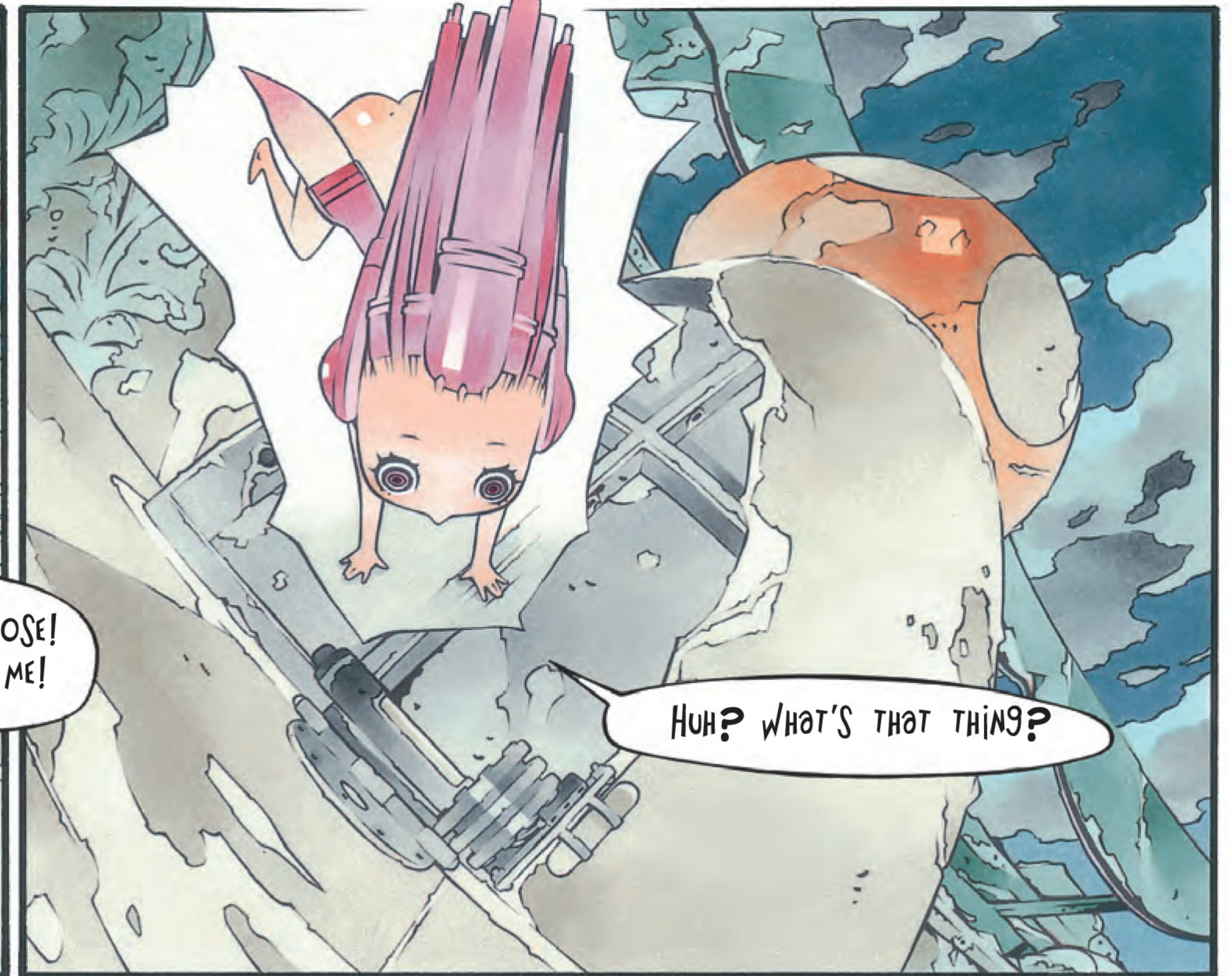


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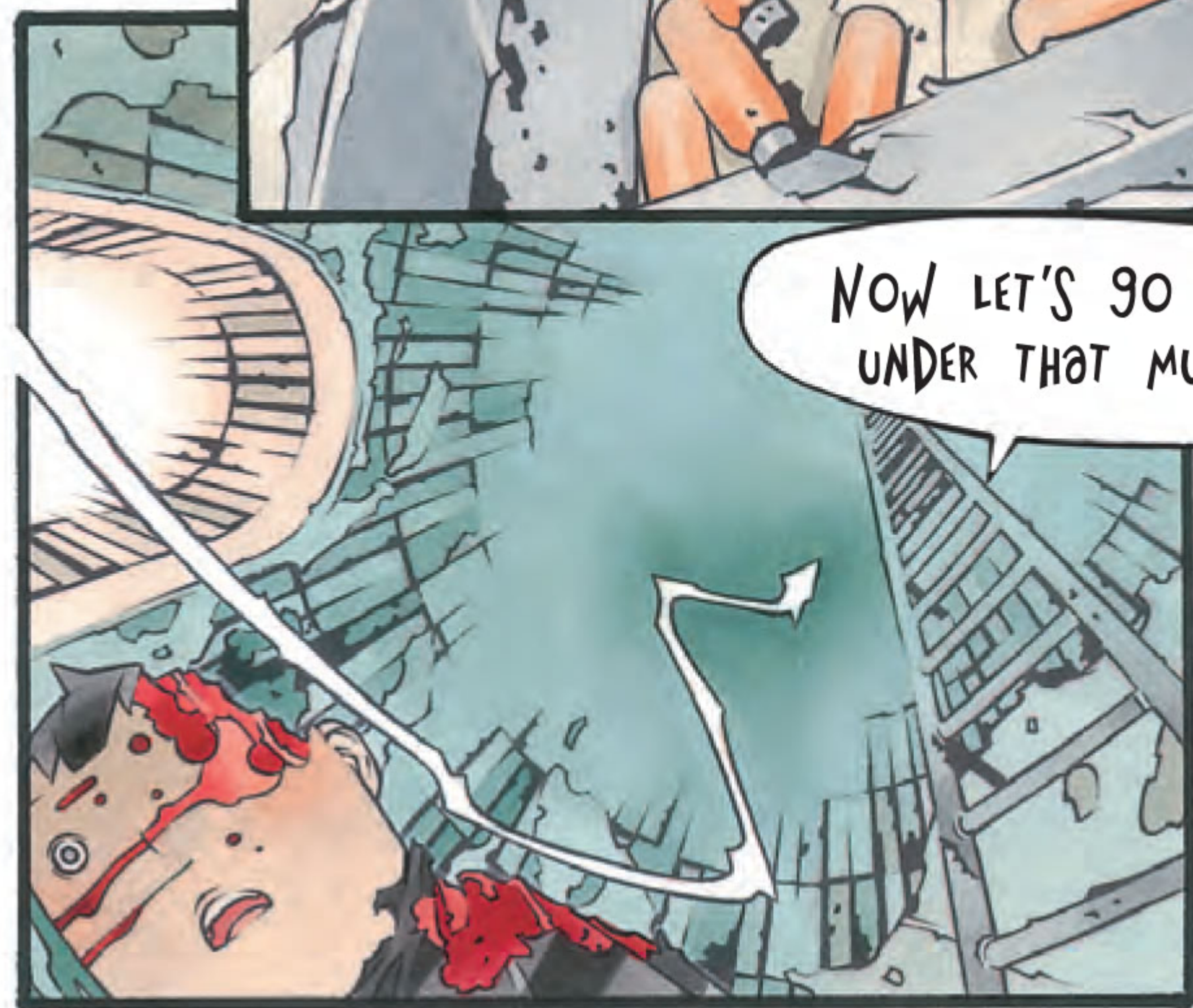
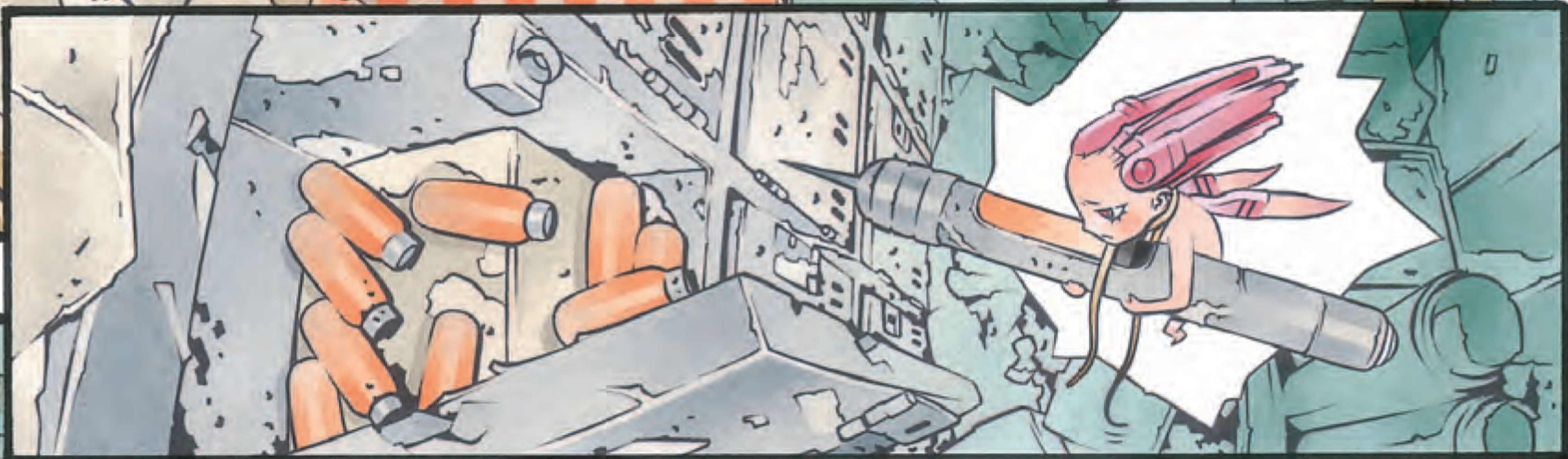
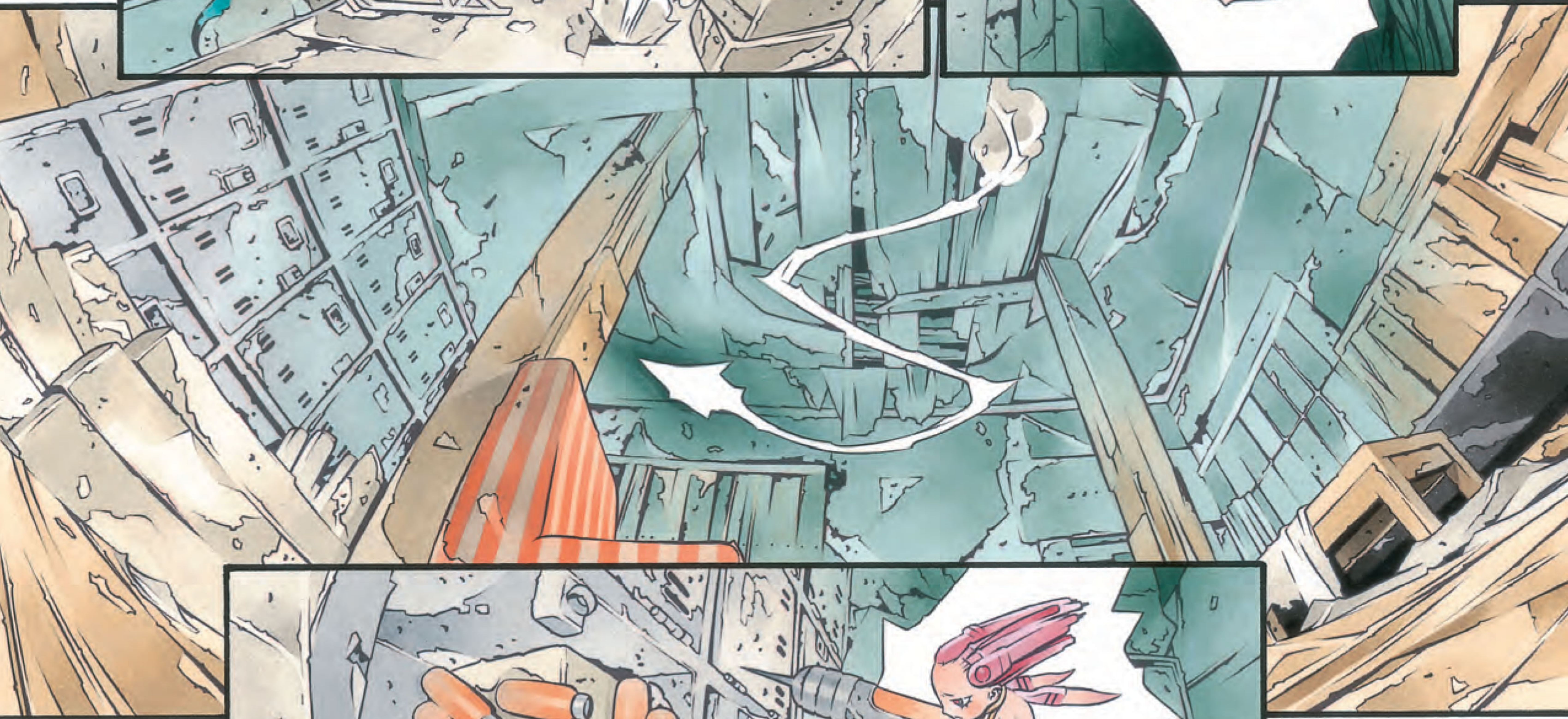
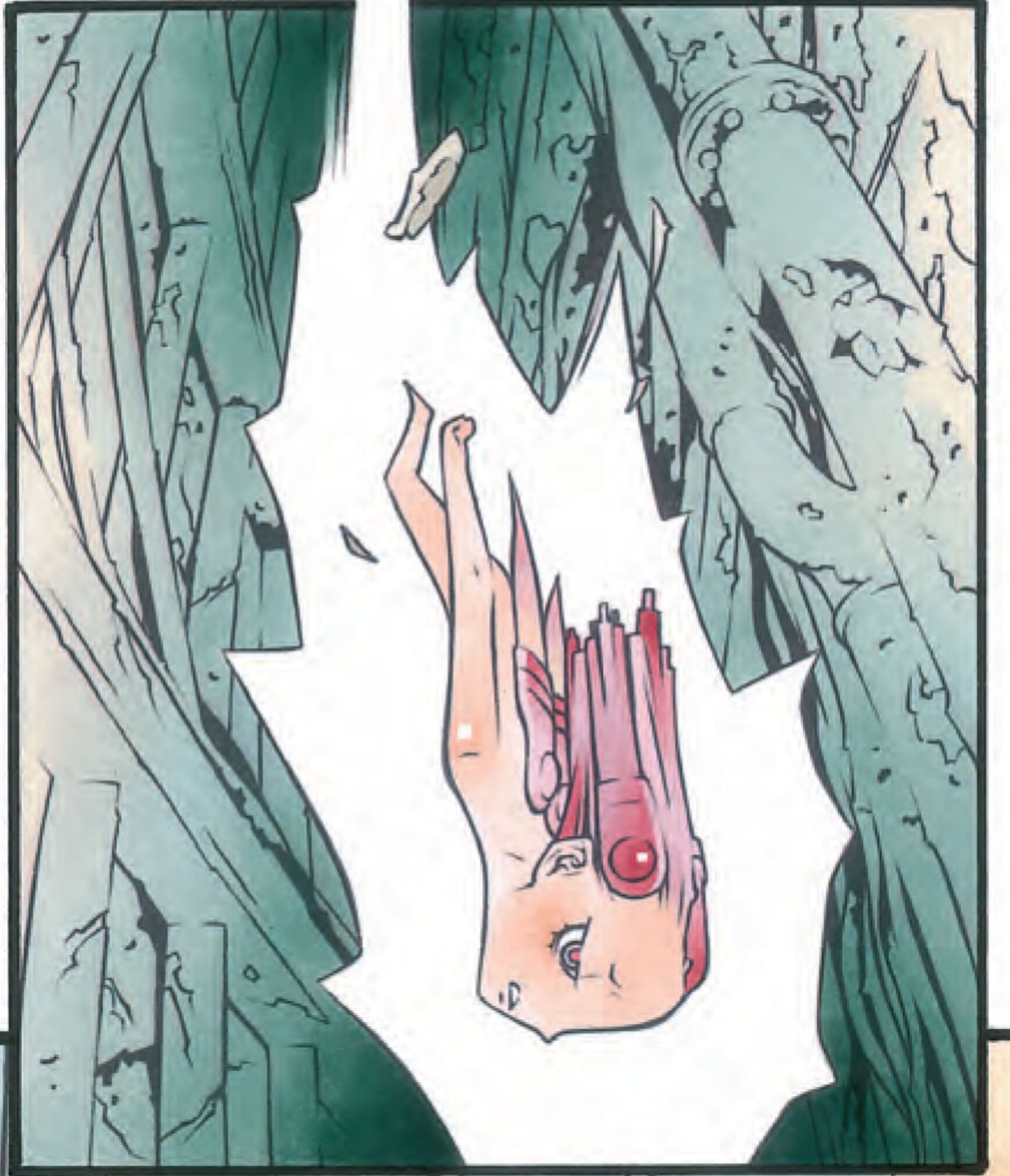
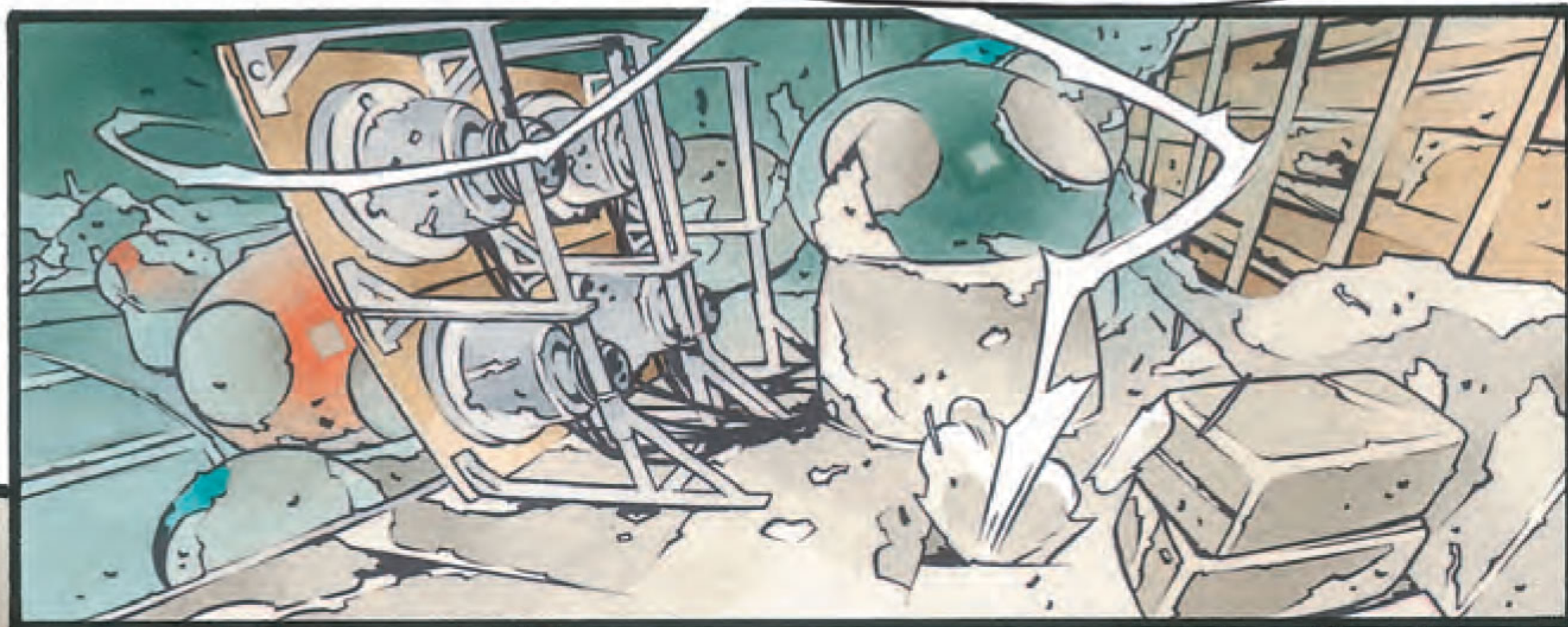
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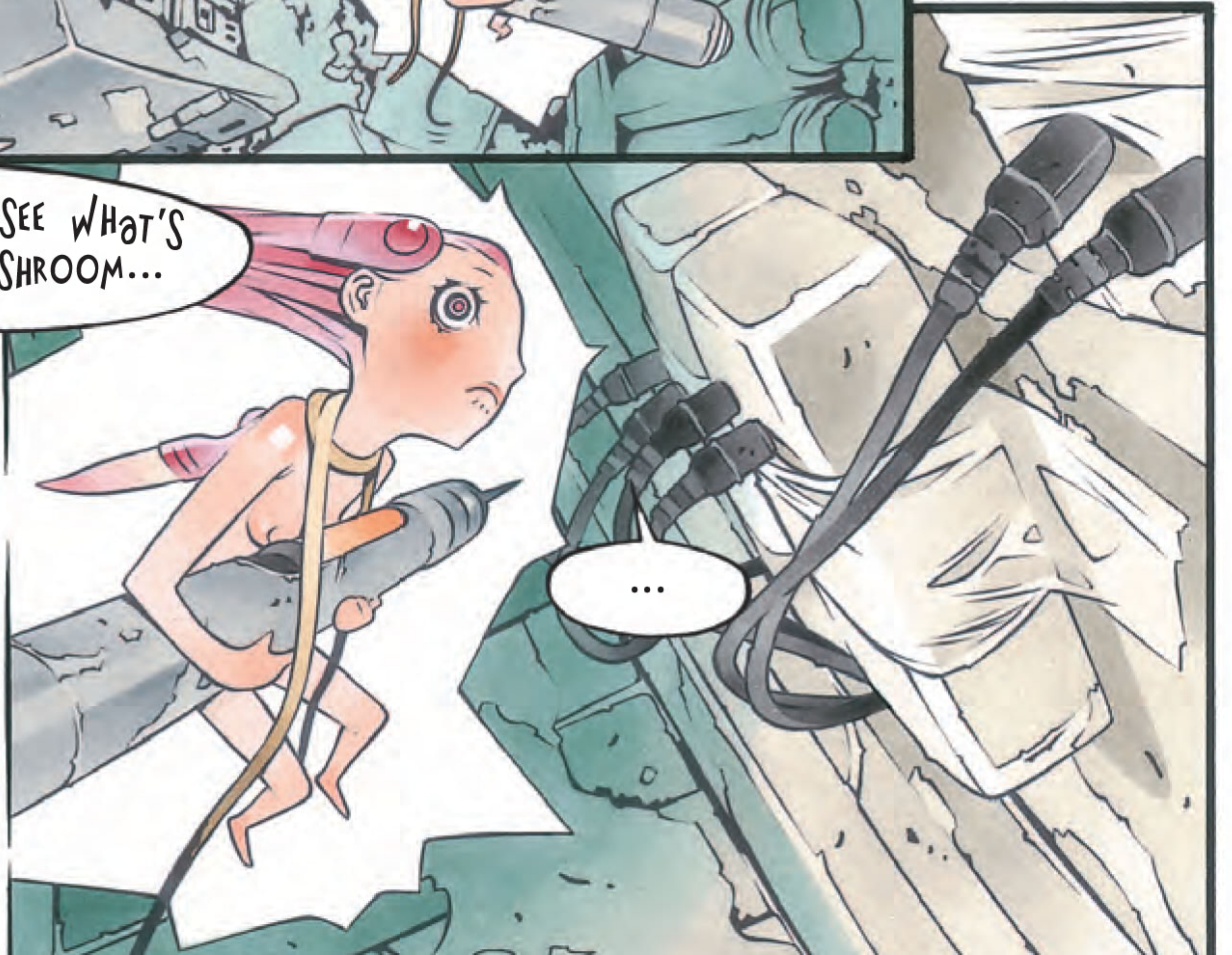




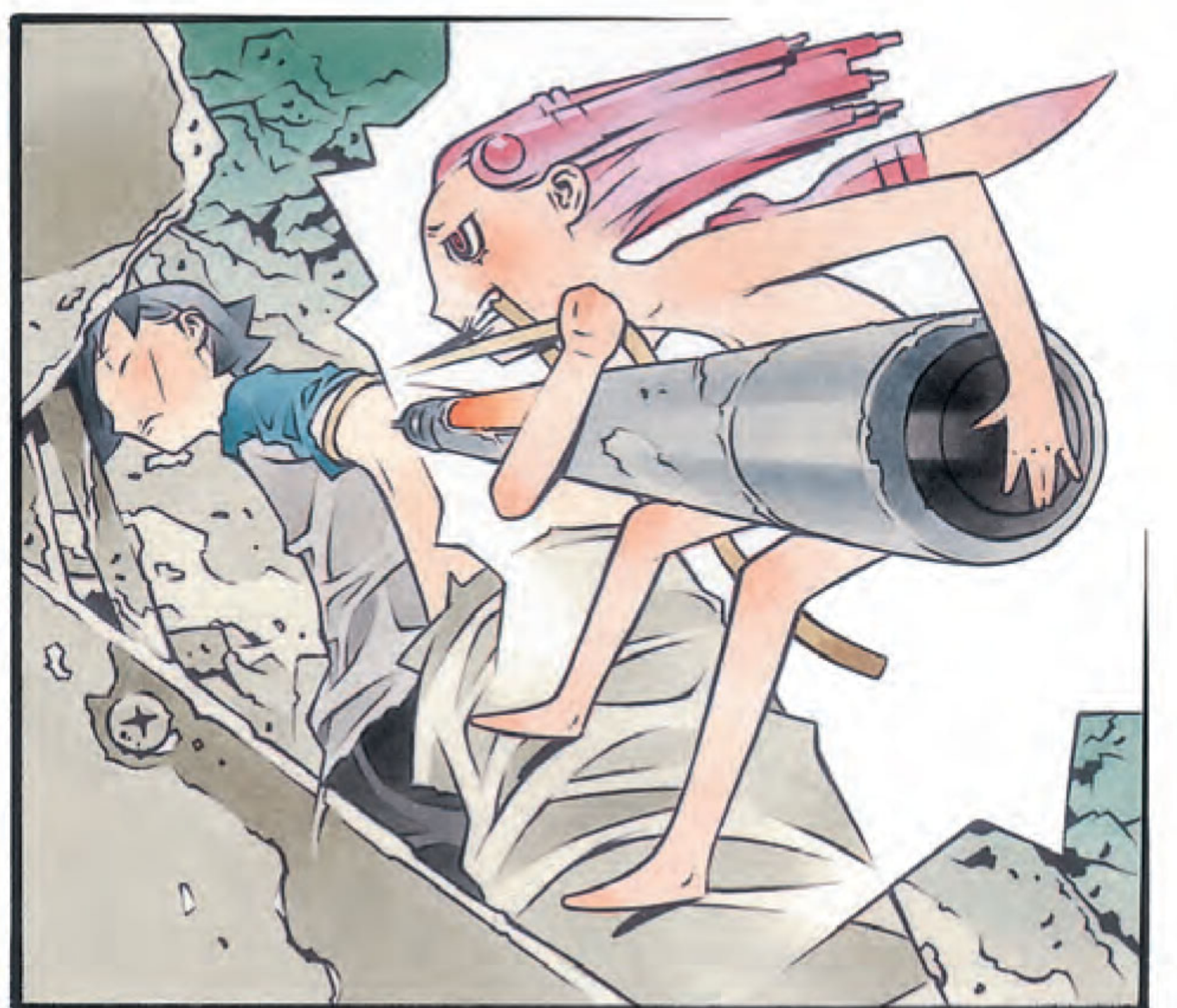
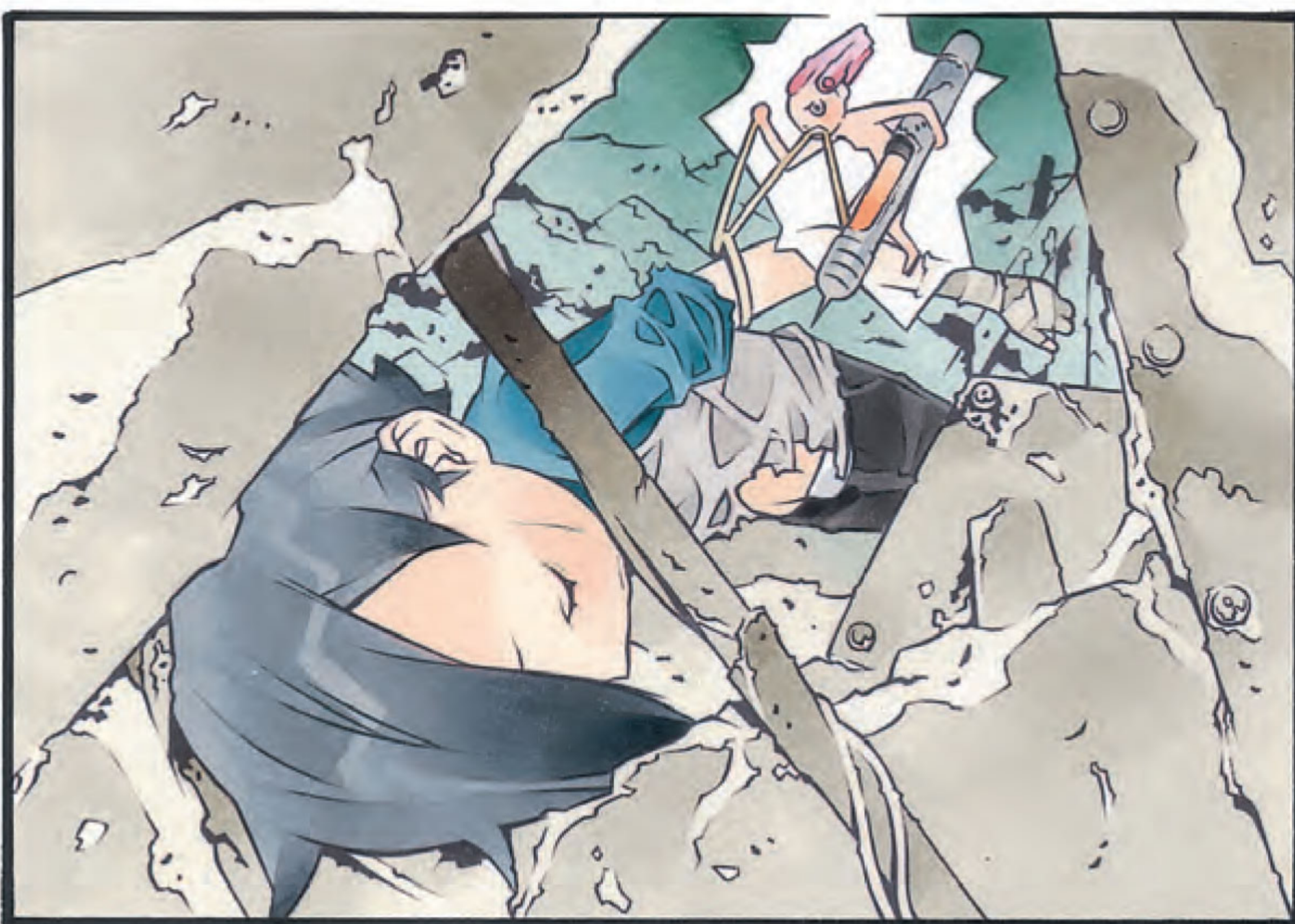
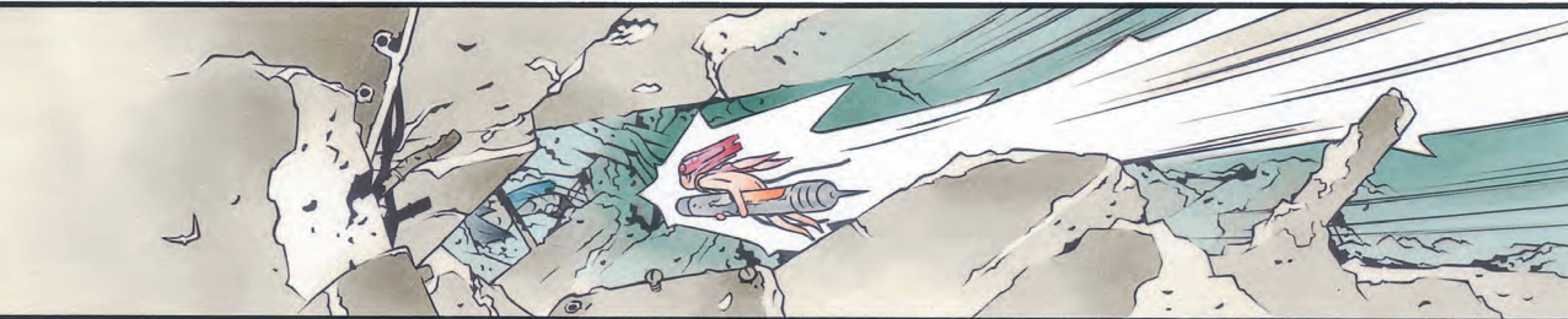
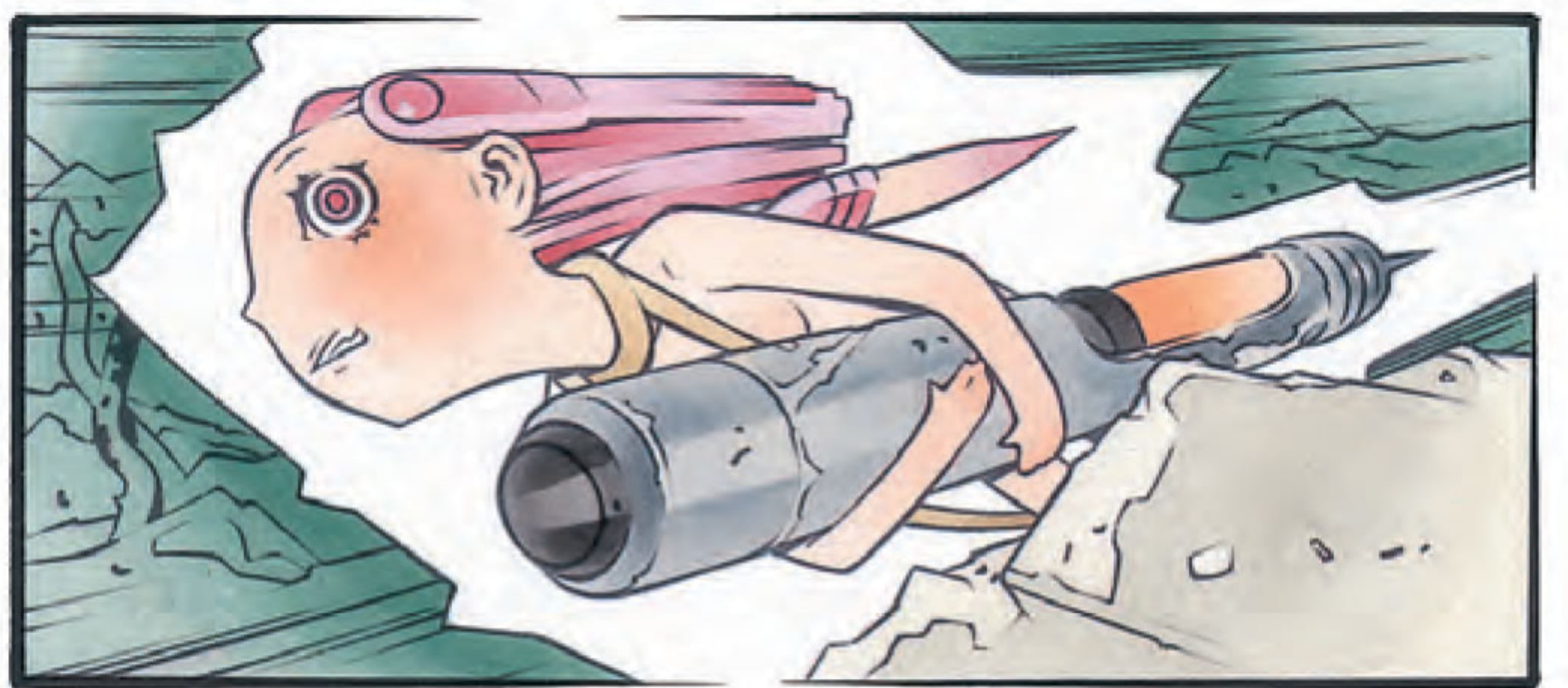
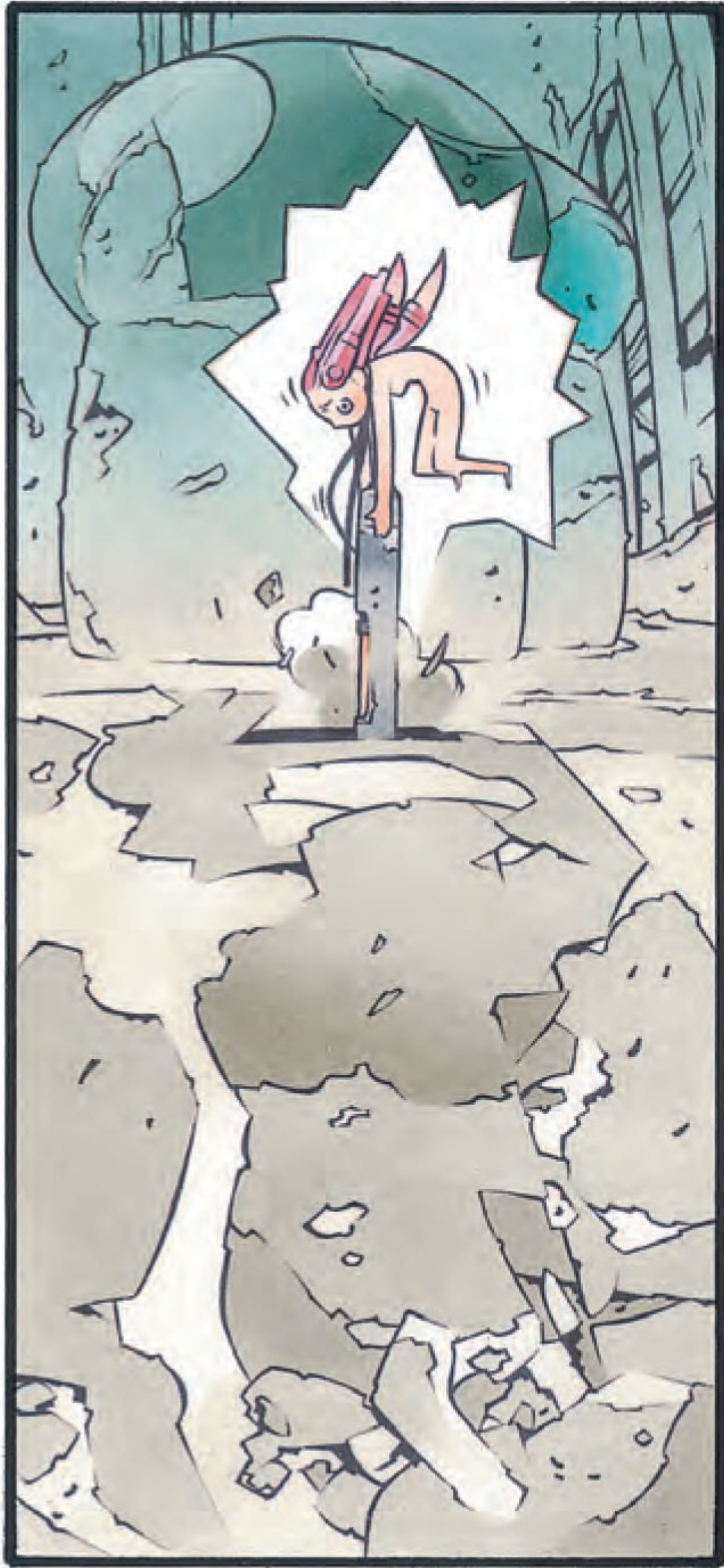
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MY SECRET SHORTCUT...

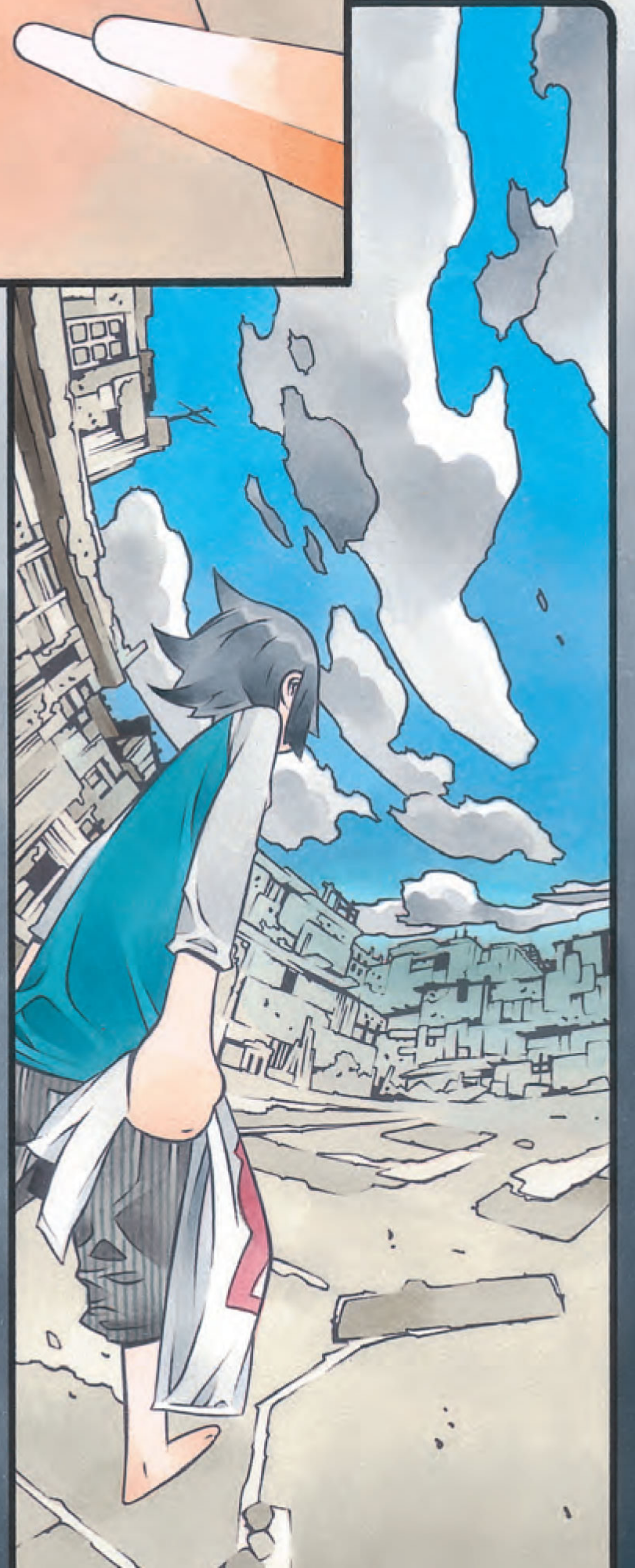
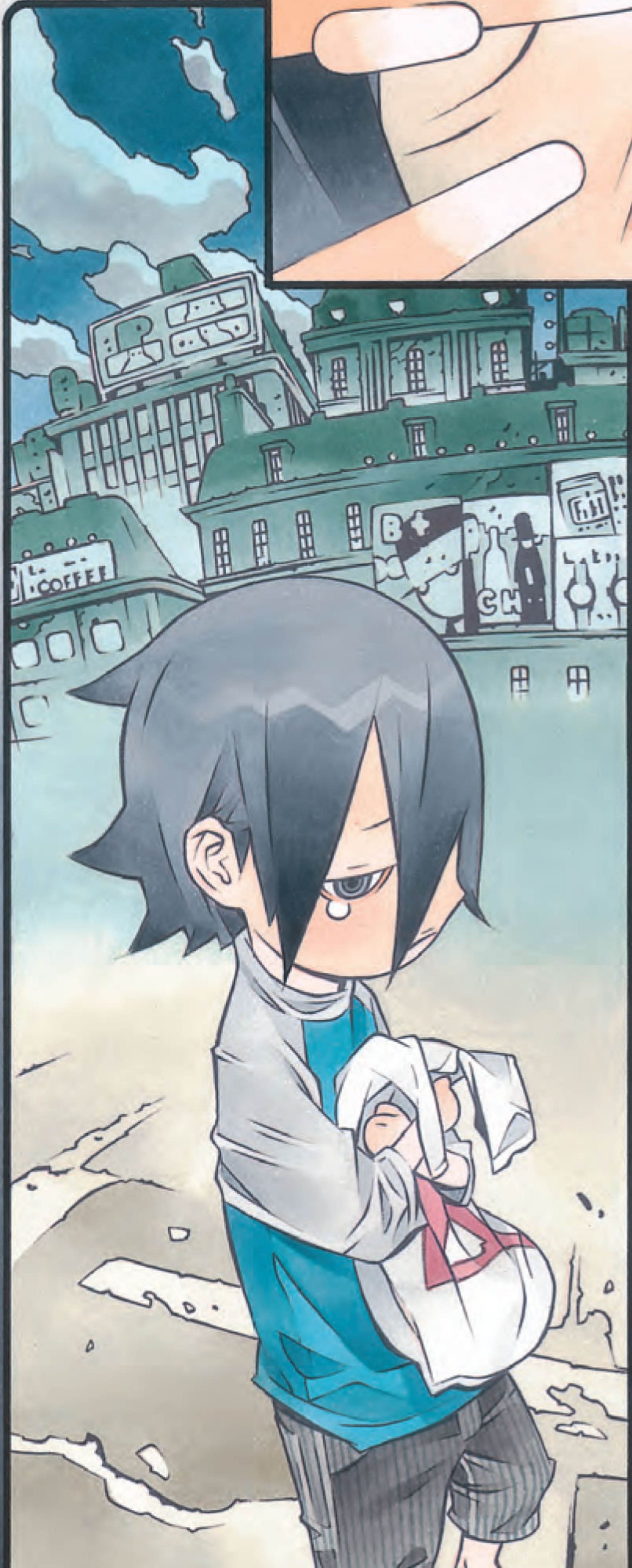
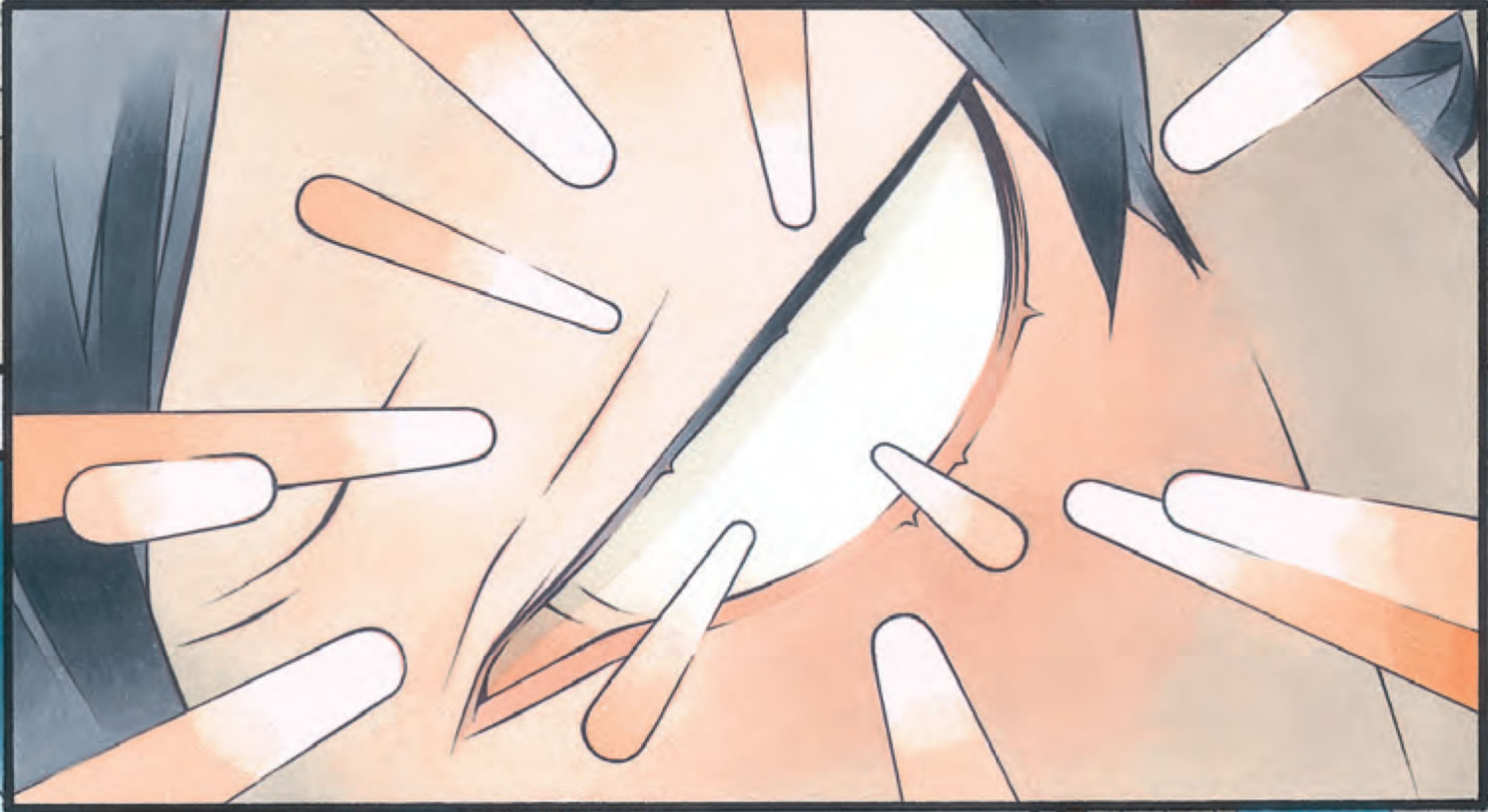


NOW LET'S GO SEE WHAT'S
UNDER THAT MUSHROOM...



...







Hey, kid!
You lost?

We'd be happy
to show you the
way...

Where are
you headed?

Of course, you understand
we'd be giving up our precious
time to help you...

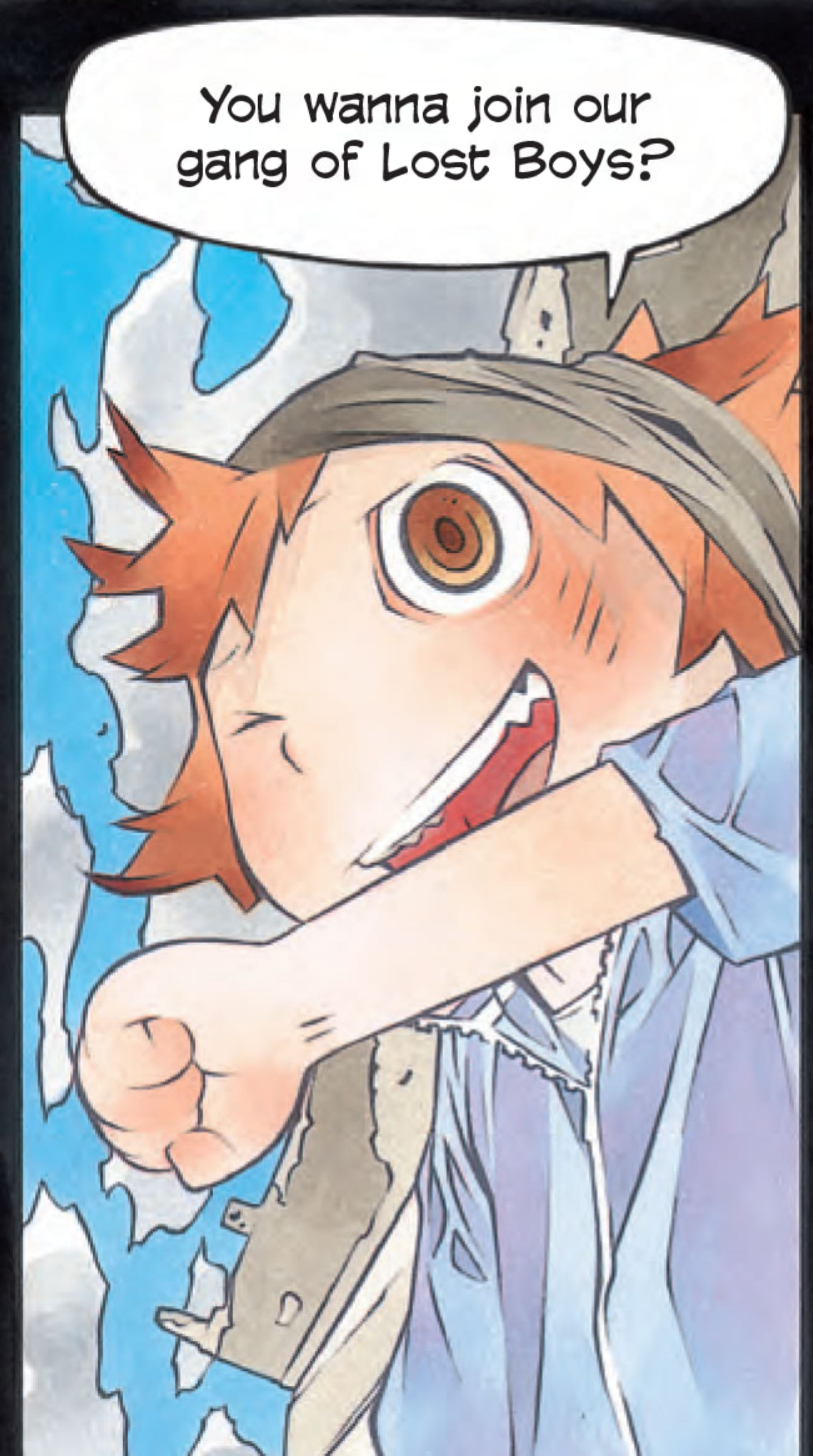
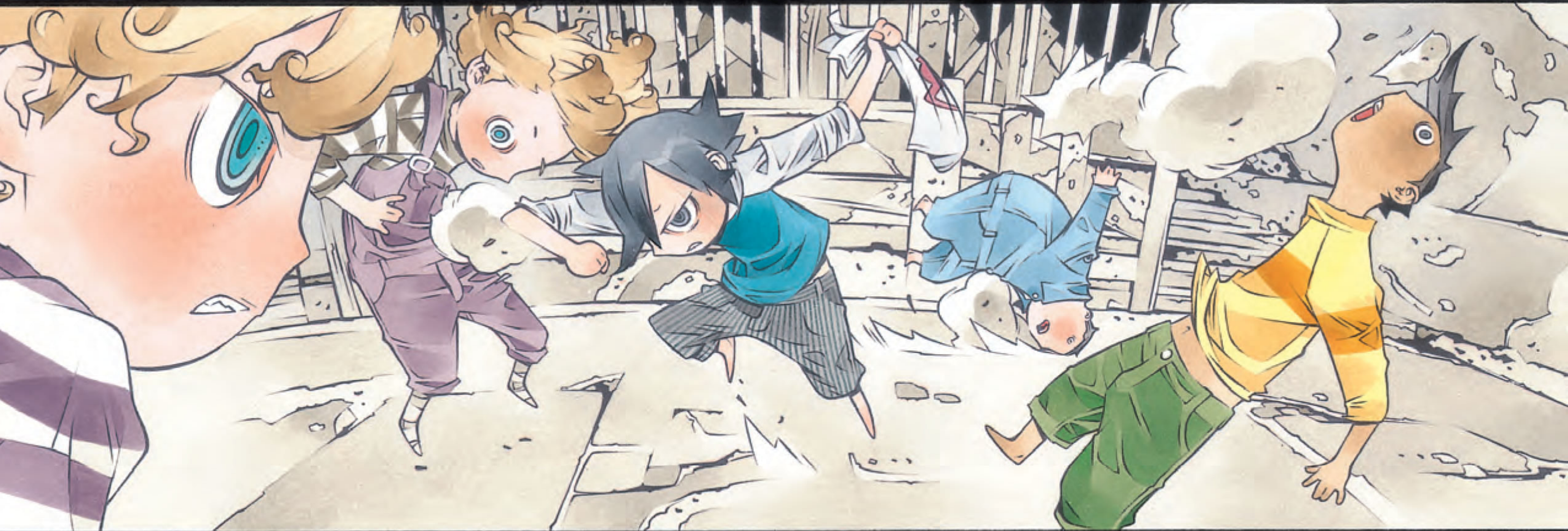
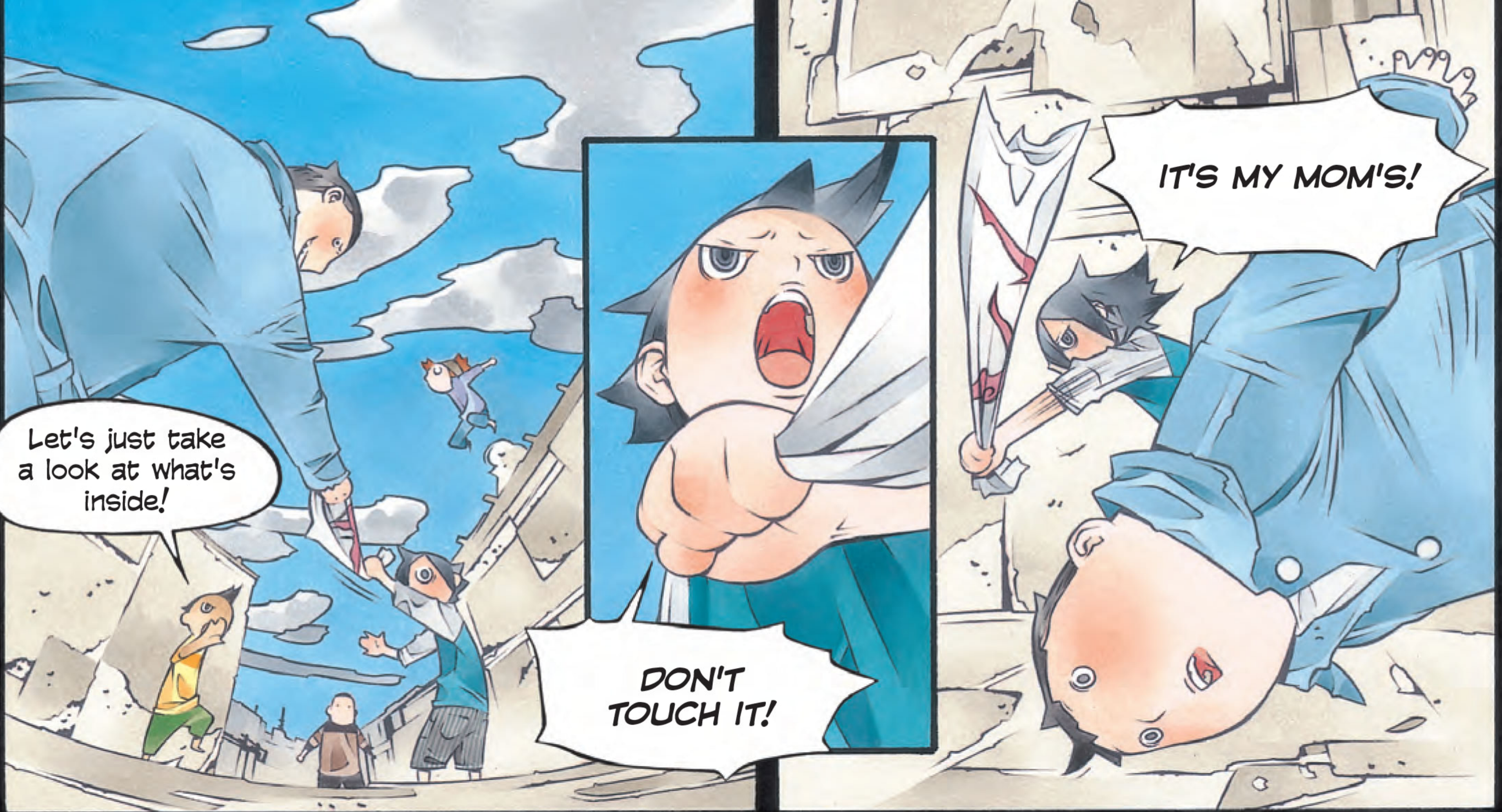
...so you'll have to
pay us for the
inconvenience...

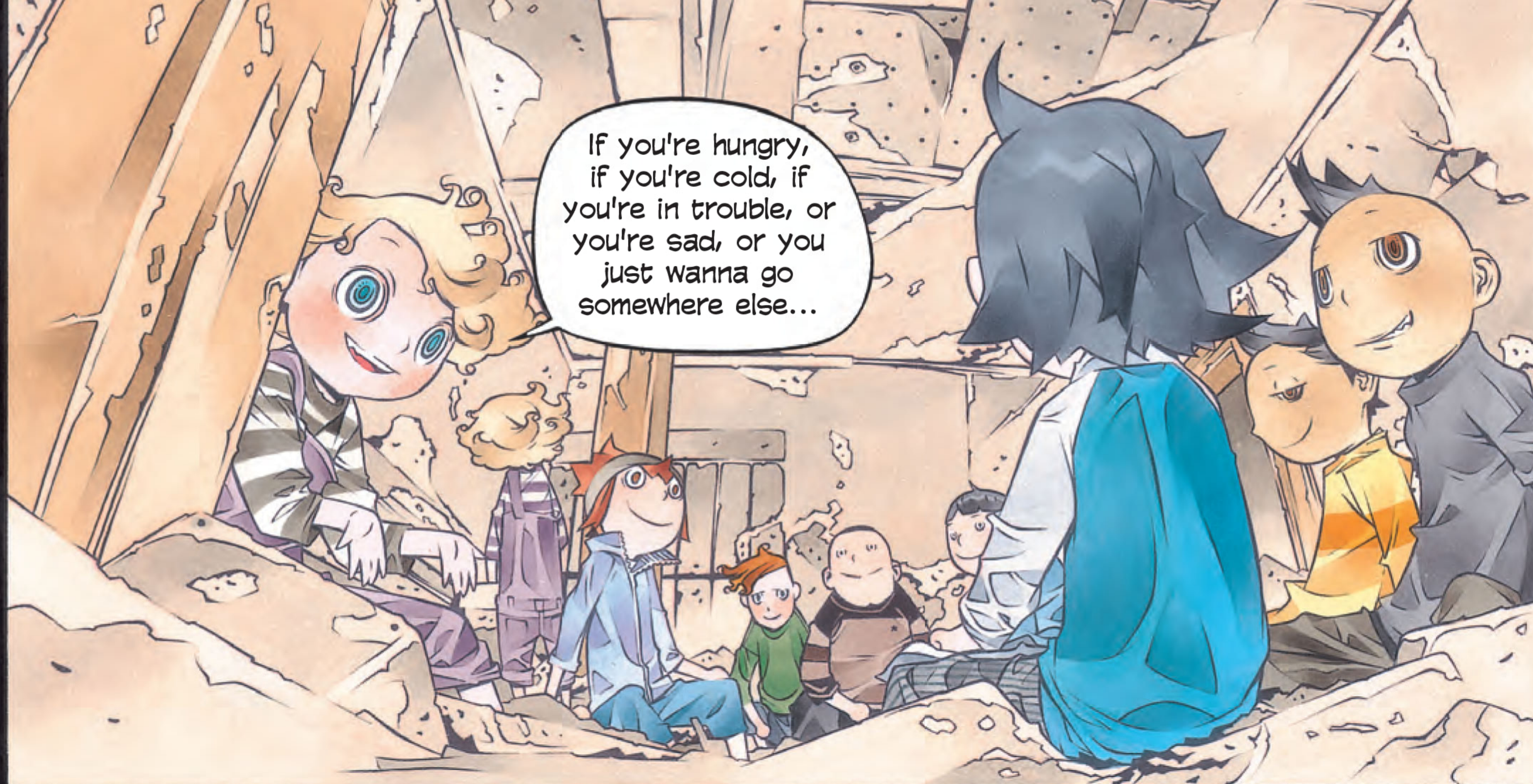


Show us what
ya got!



Nothing. Just
this bag...

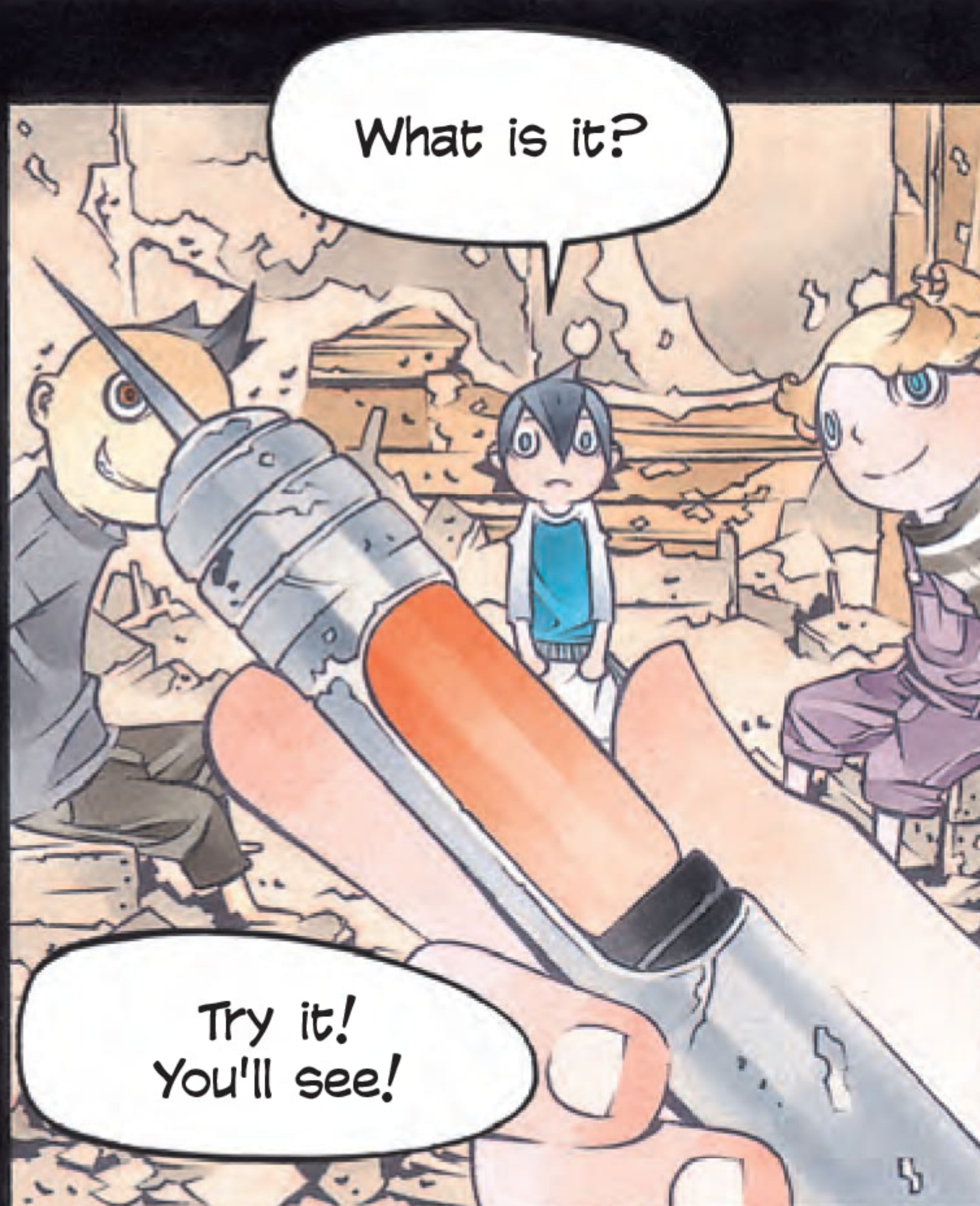




If you're hungry,
if you're cold, if
you're in trouble, or
you're sad, or you
just wanna go
somewhere else...



...we've got
the solution!



What is it?

Try it!
You'll see!



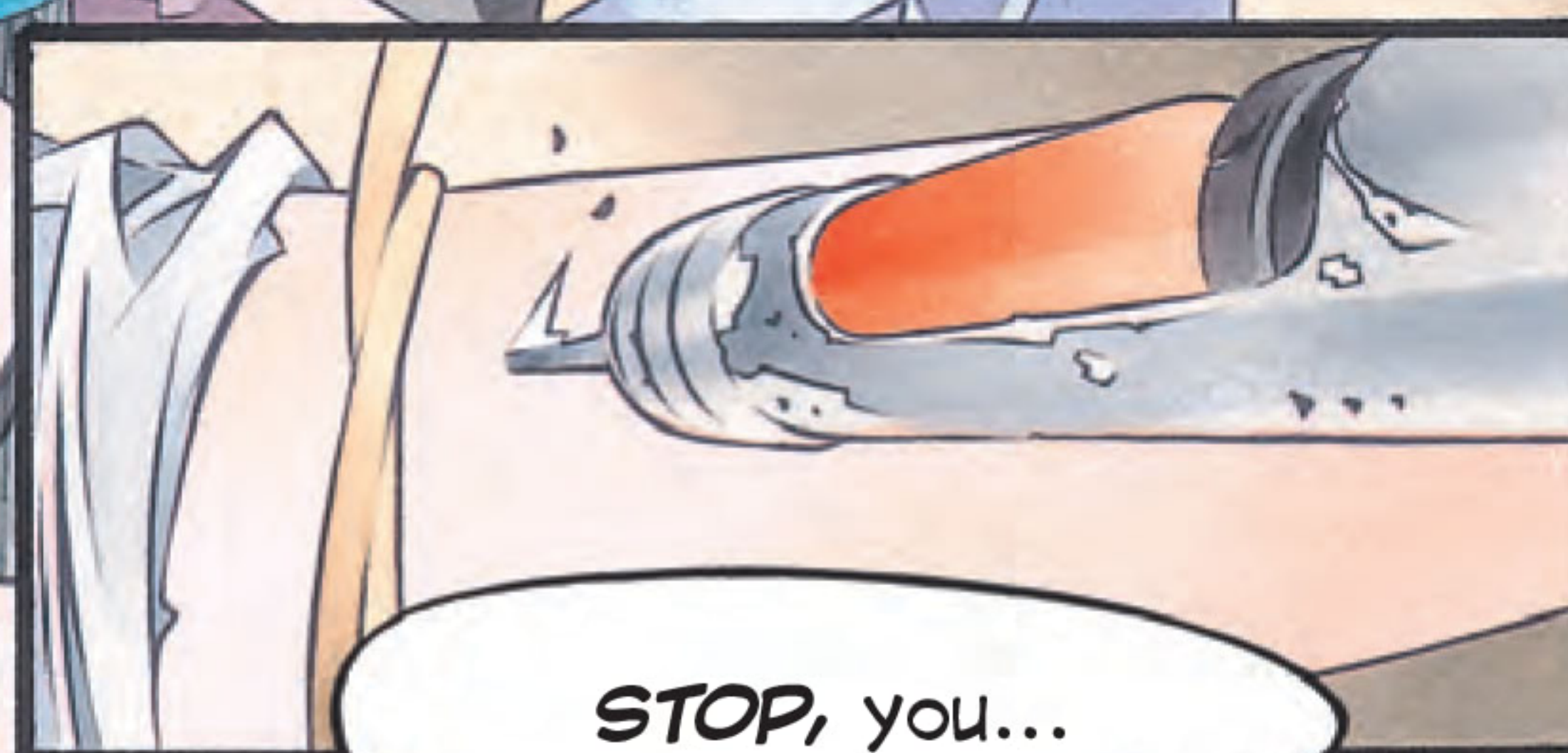
I...

...I don't really
like shots...

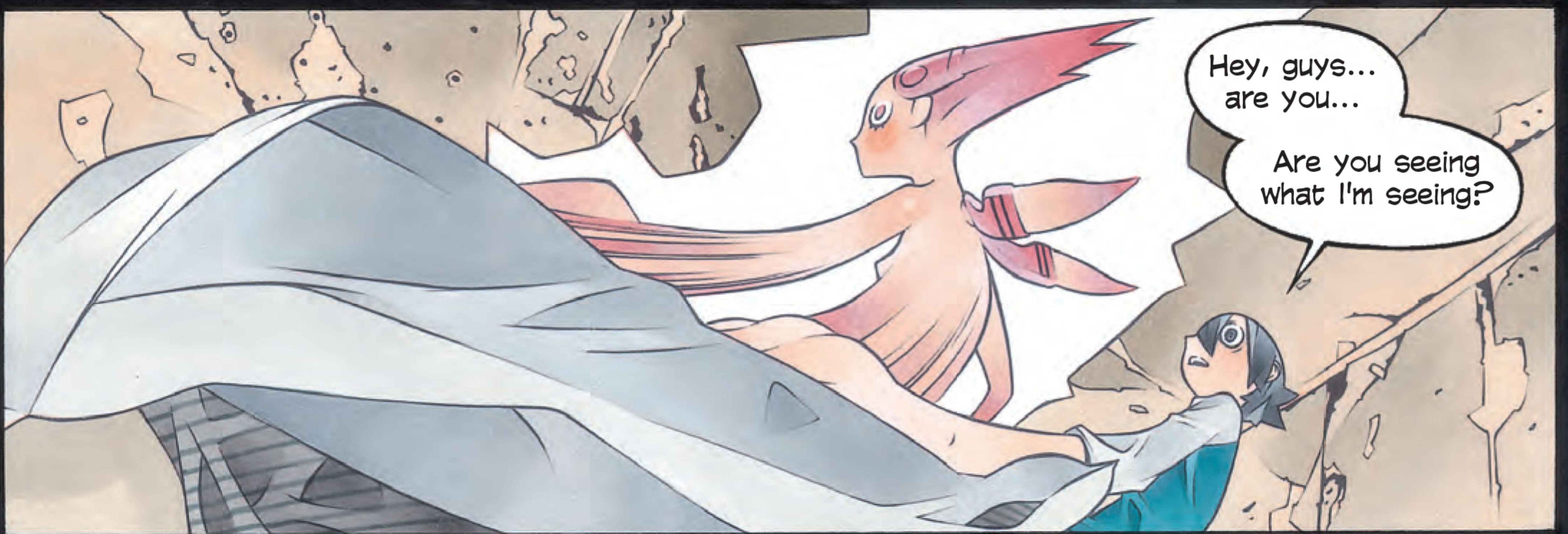
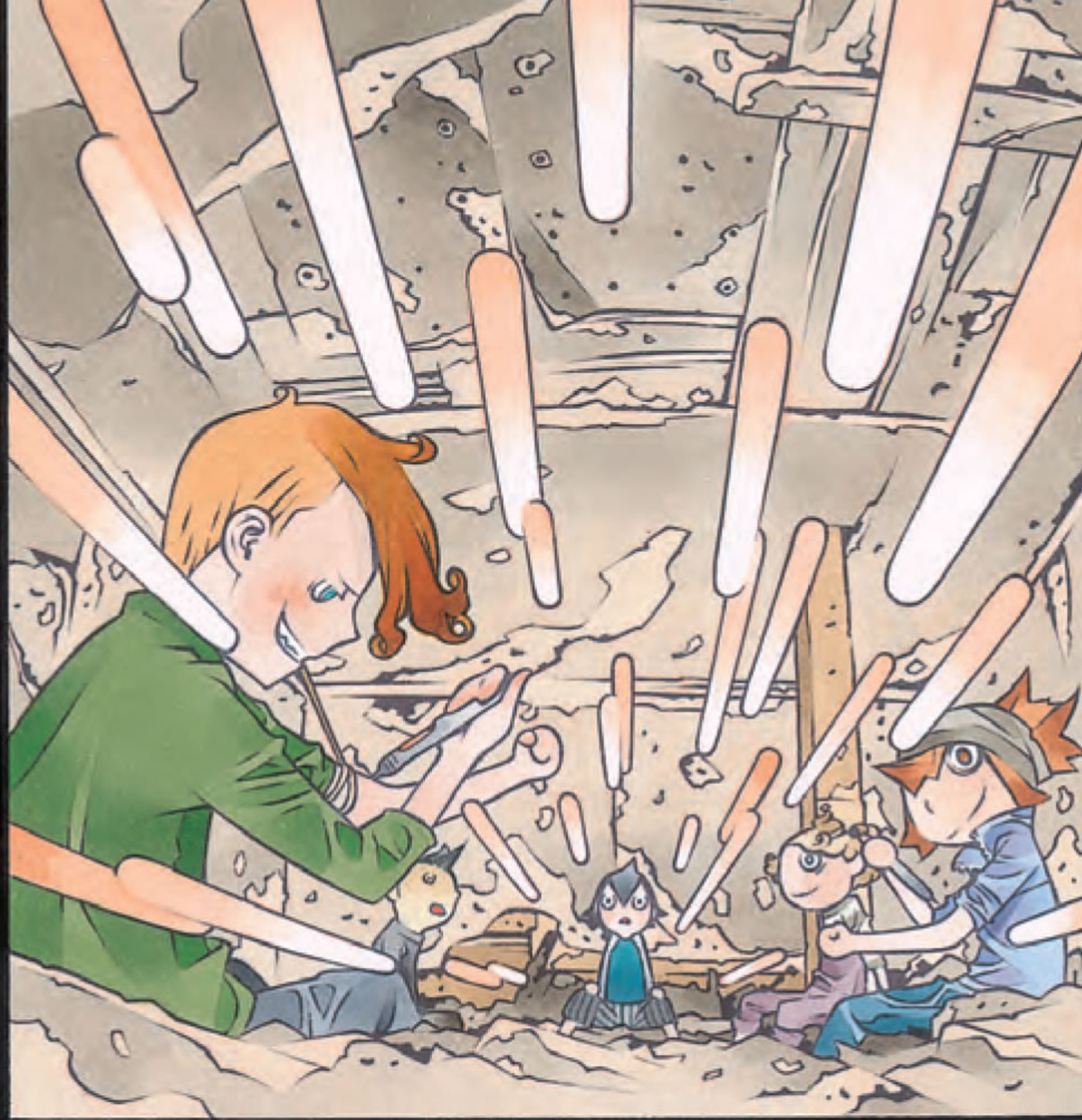


It's always a little
hard at first...

But once you do it,
it's greeeeat!

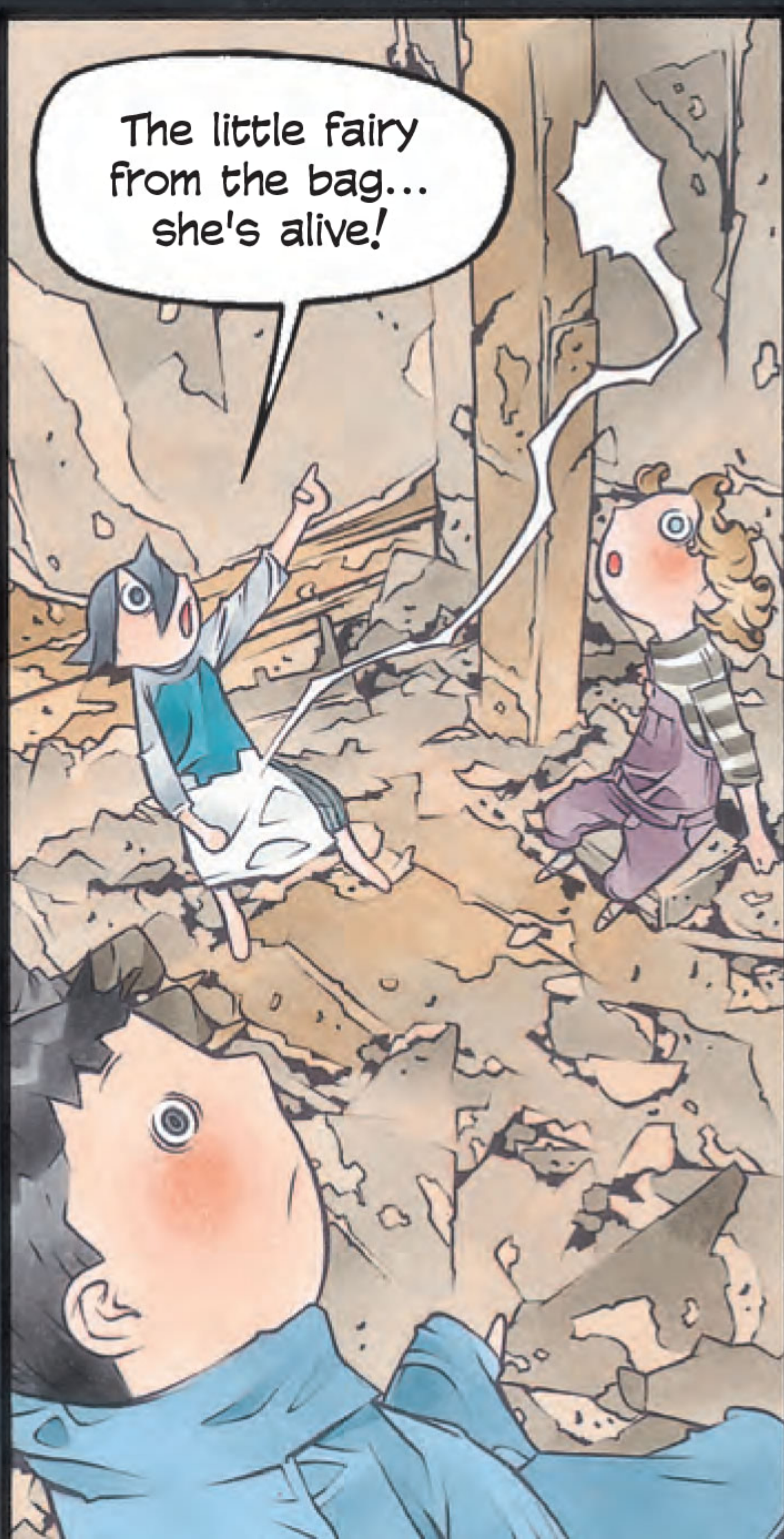


STOP, you...

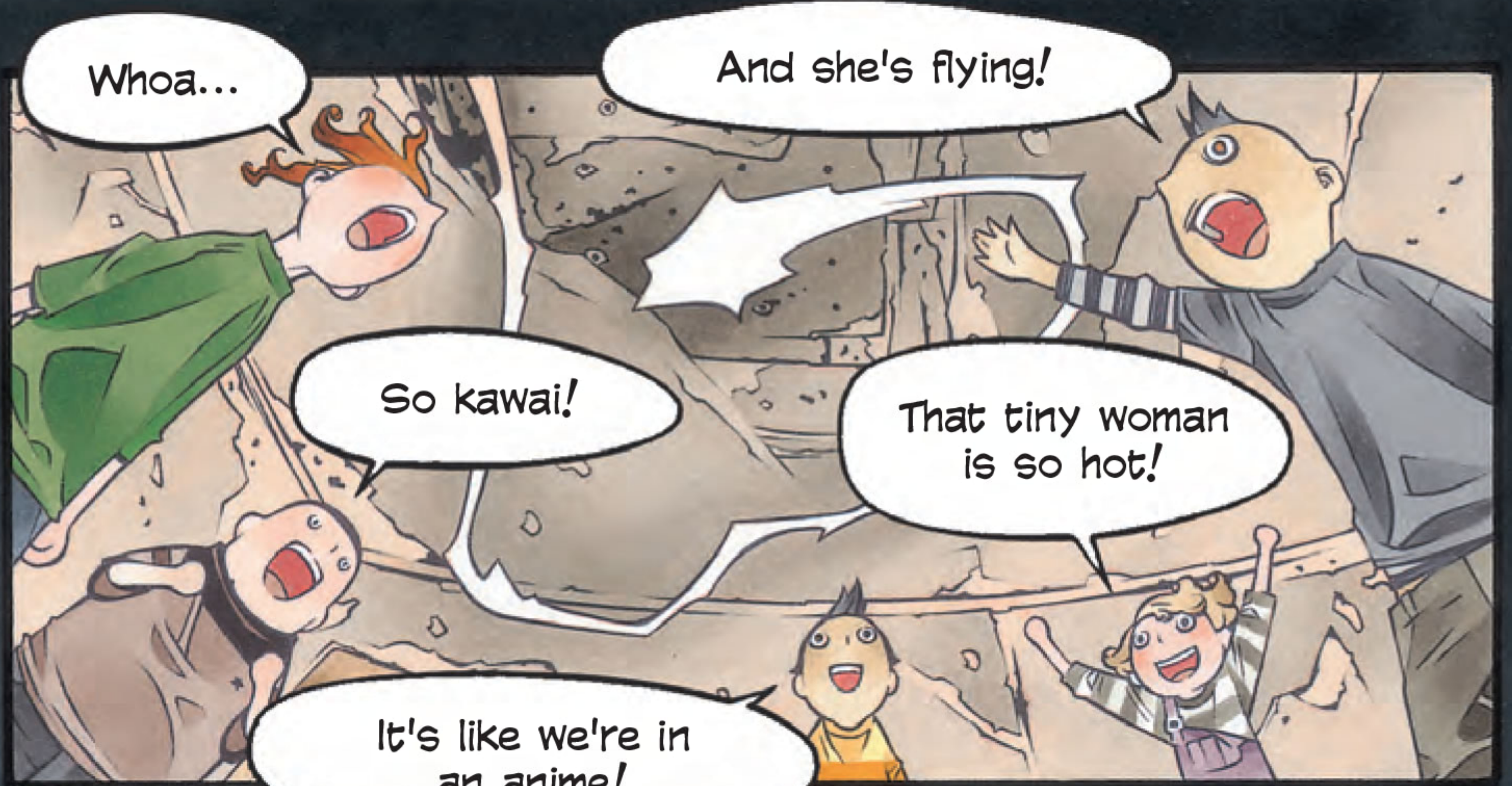


Hey, guys...
are you...

Are you seeing
what I'm seeing?



The little fairy
from the bag...
she's alive!



Whoa...

And she's flying!

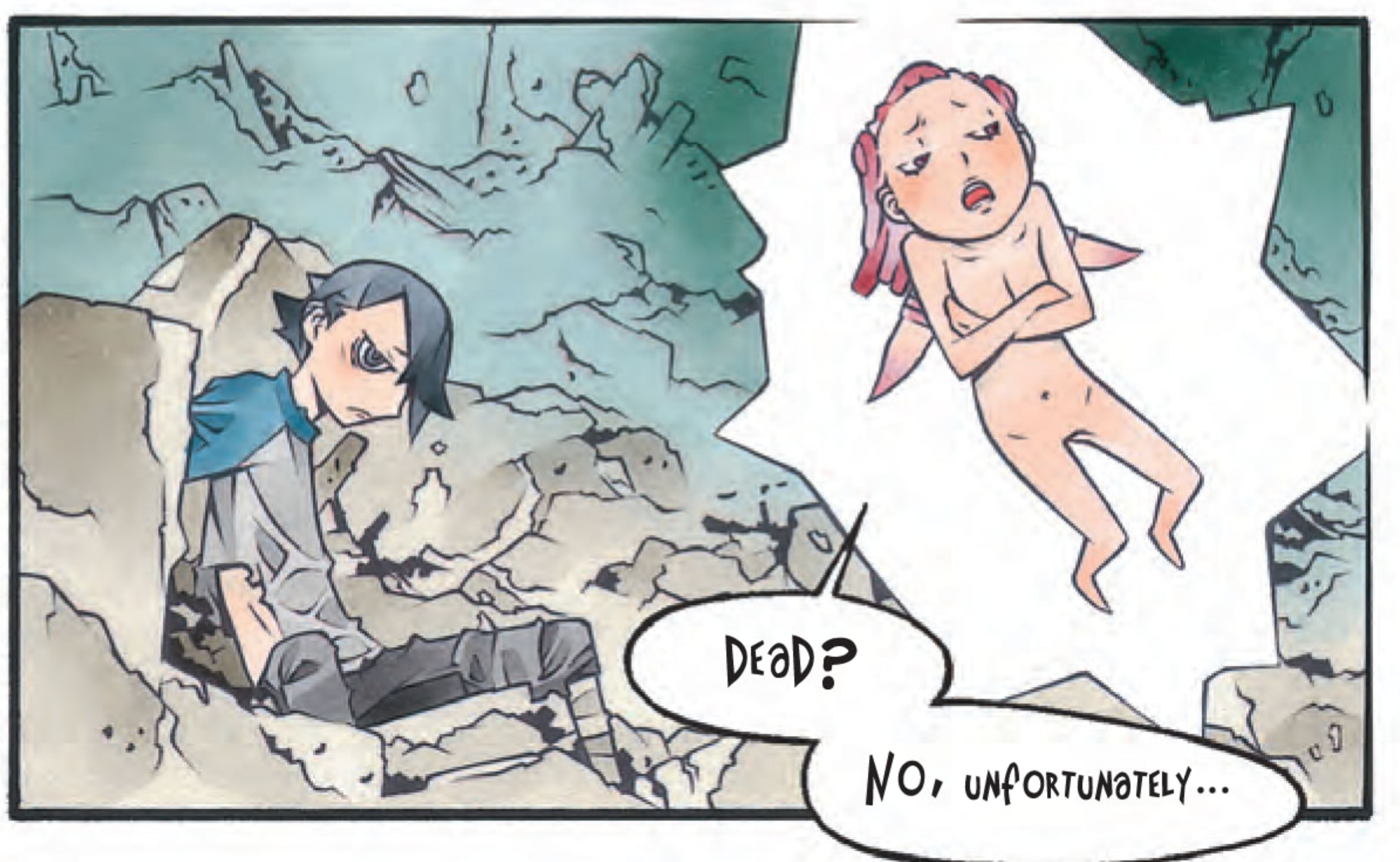
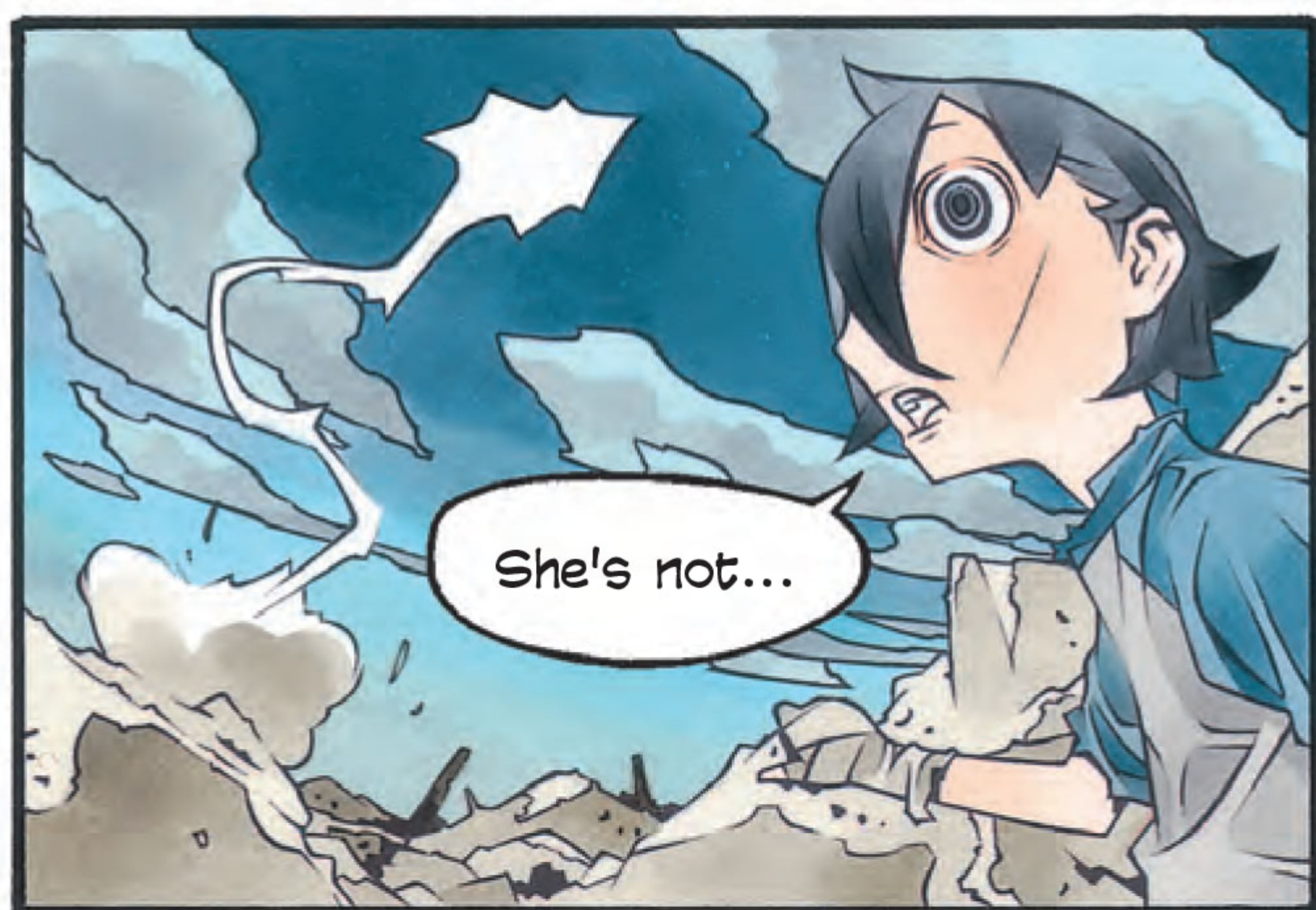
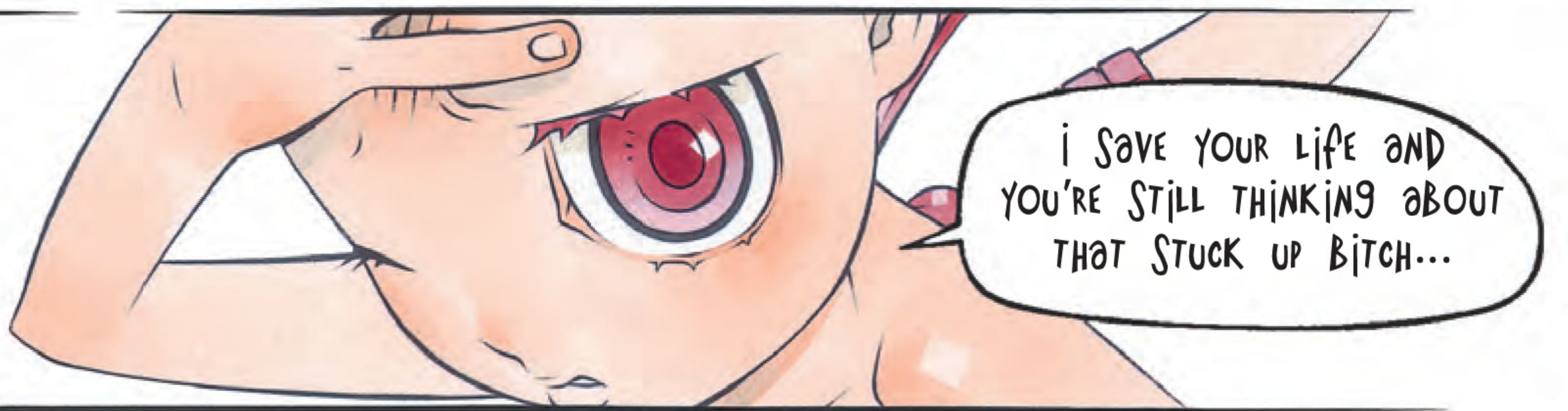
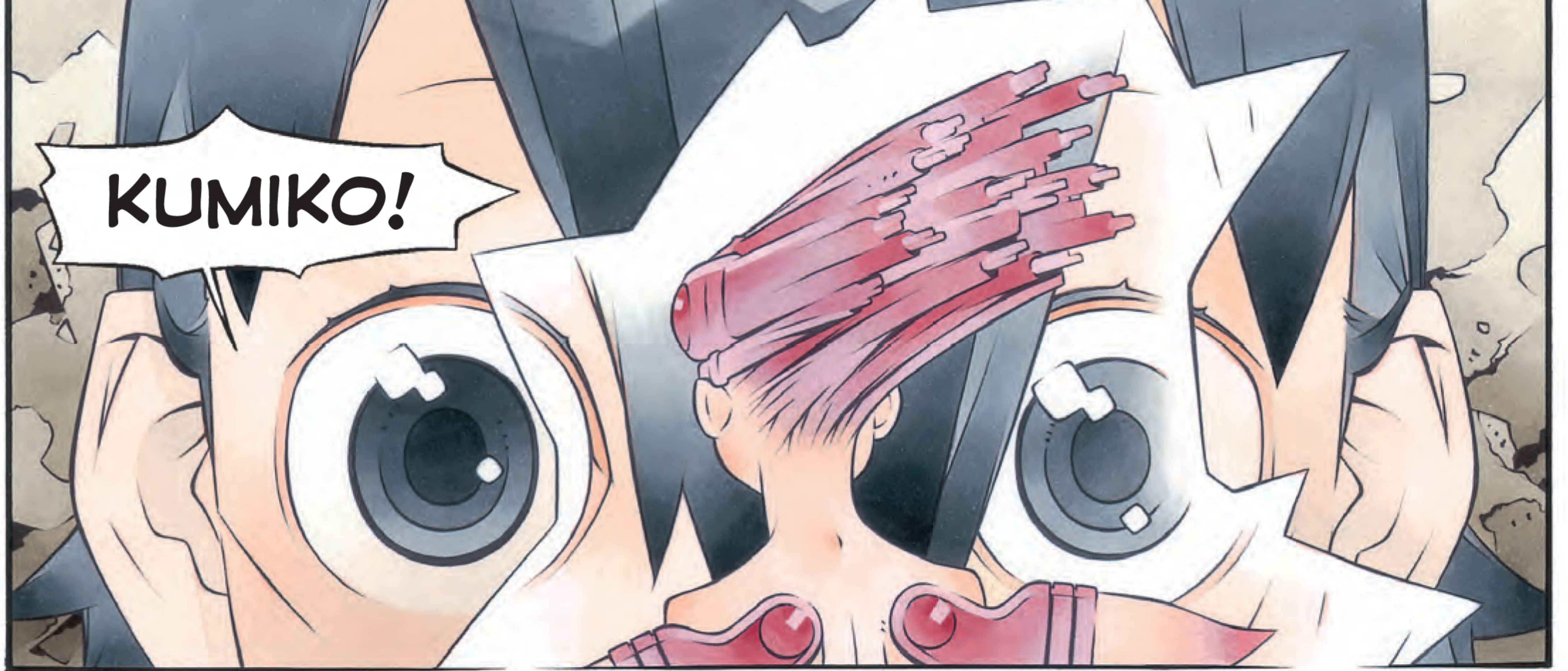
So kawai!

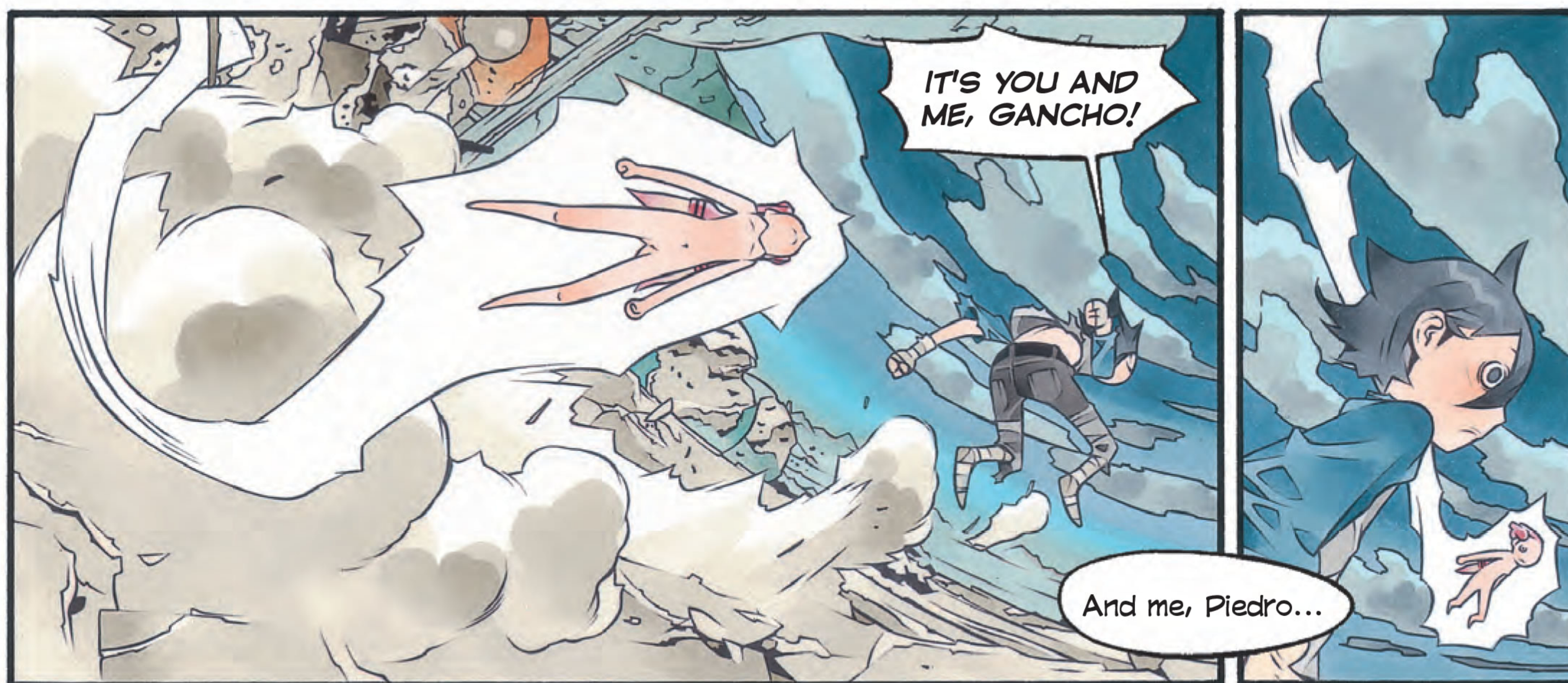
That tiny woman
is so hot!

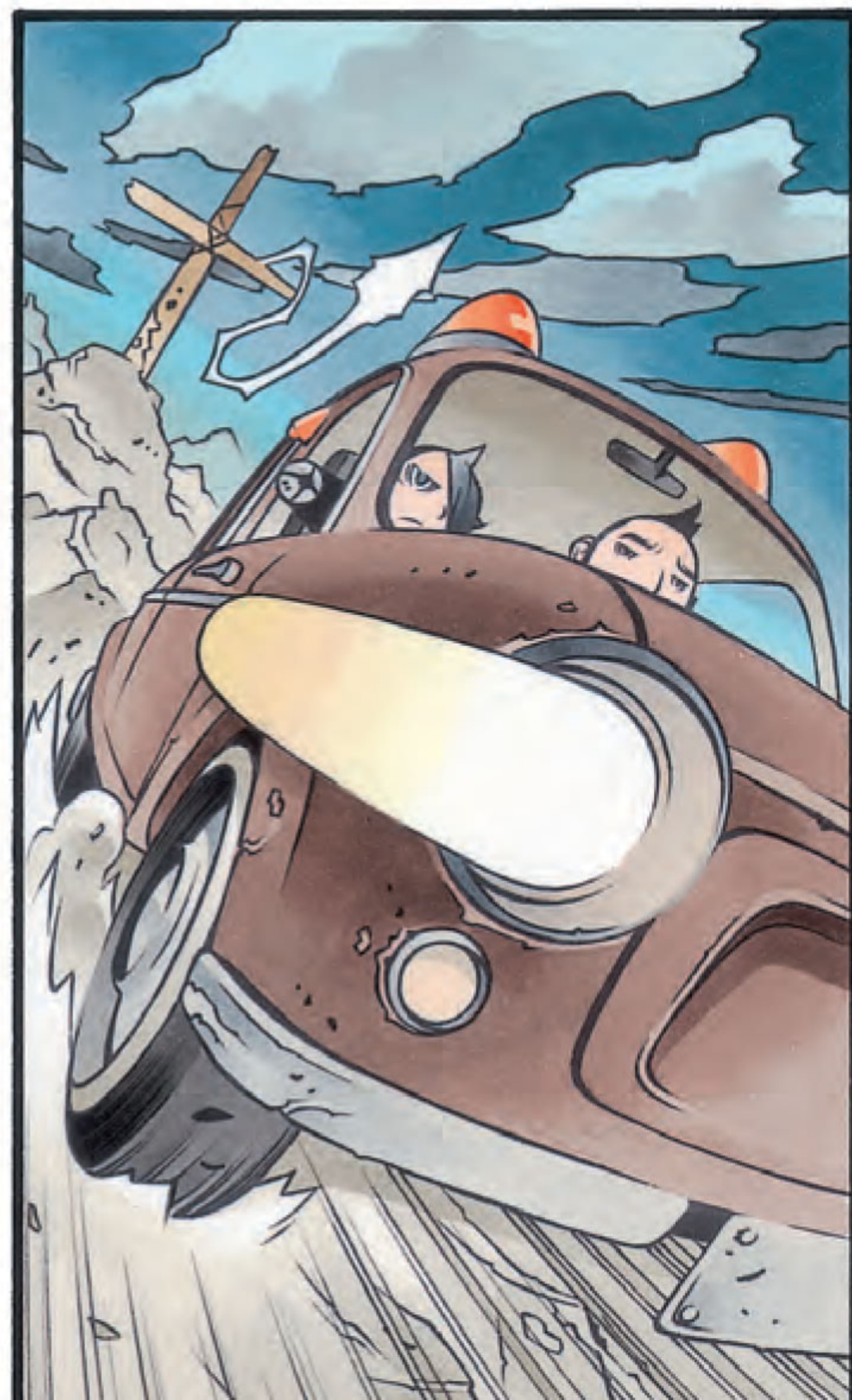
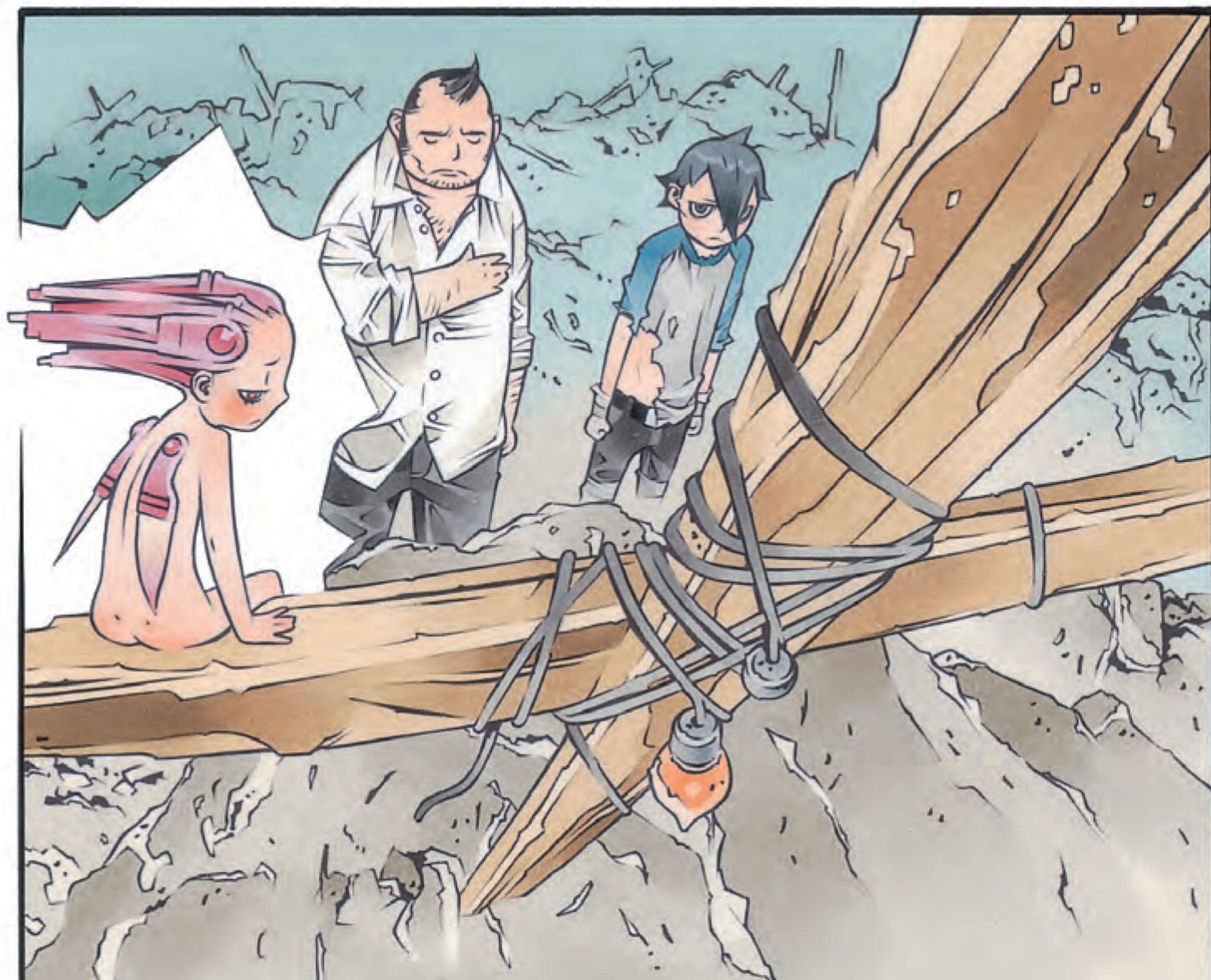
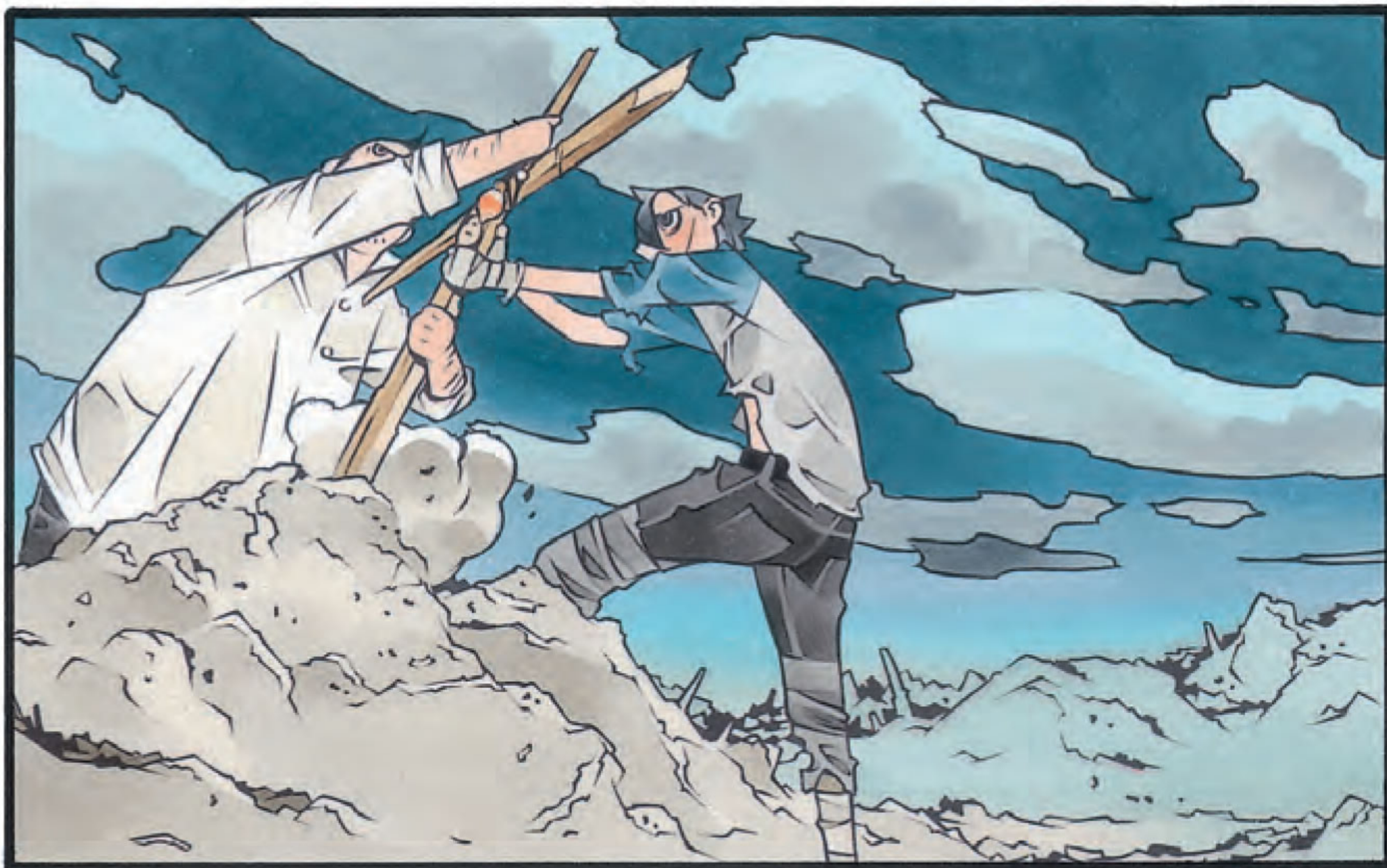
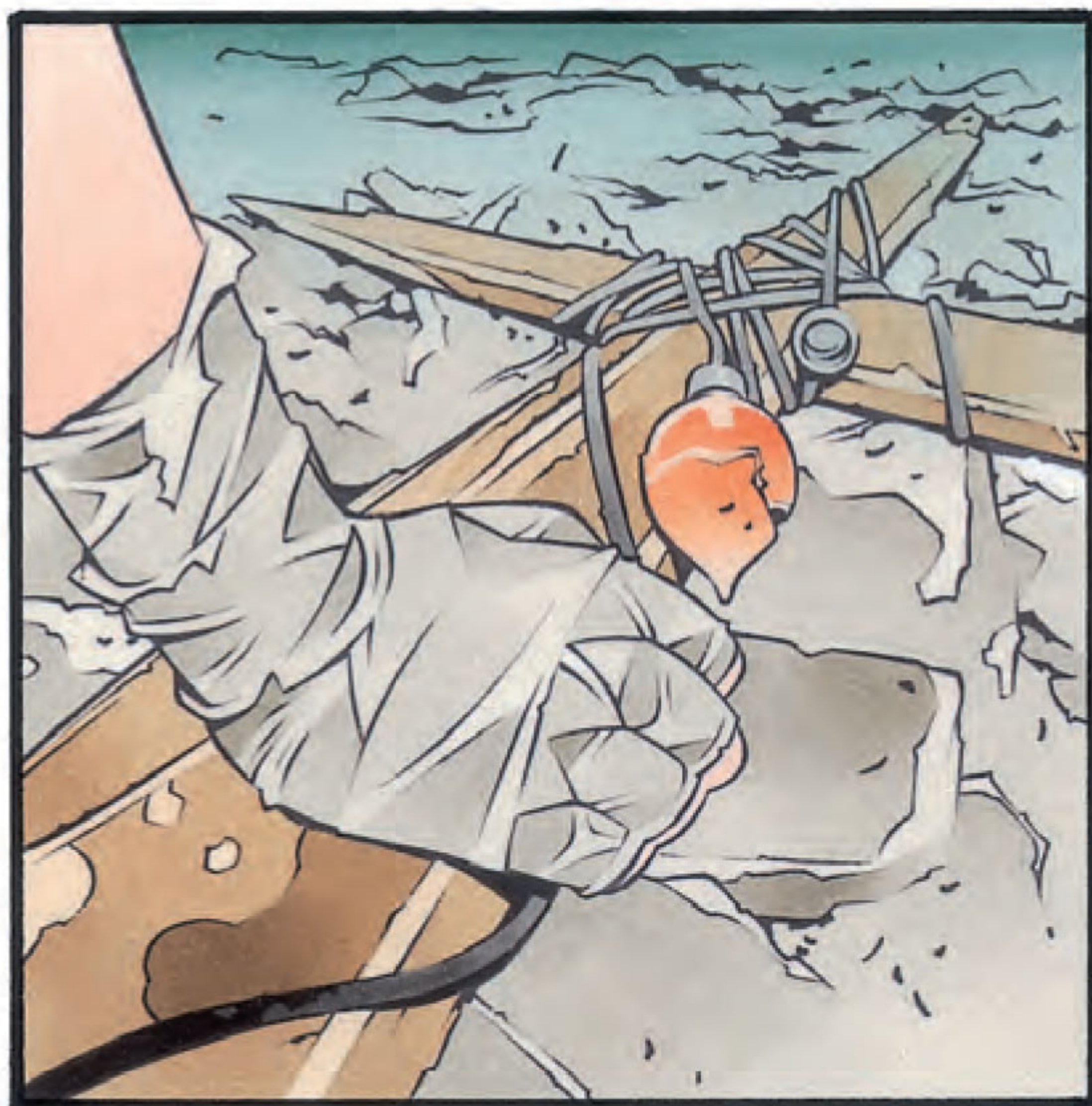
It's like we're in
an anime!

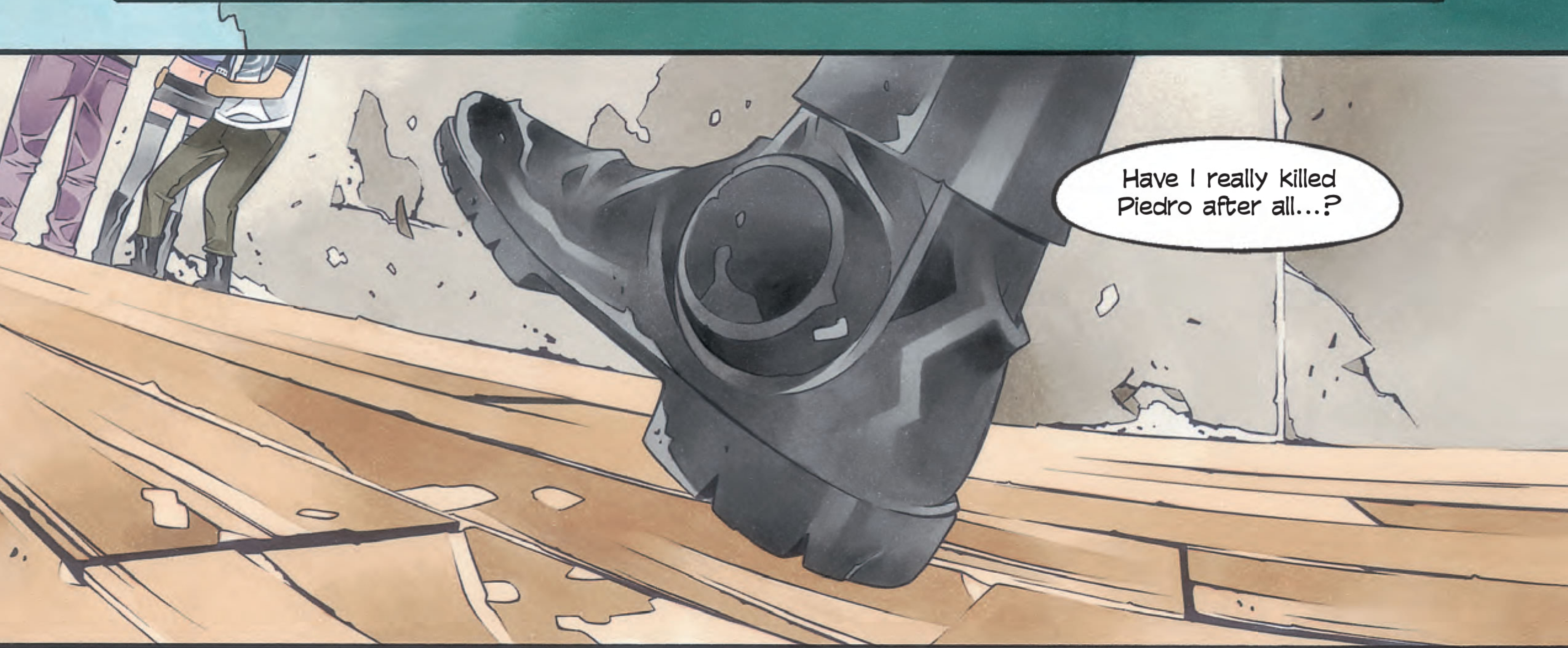
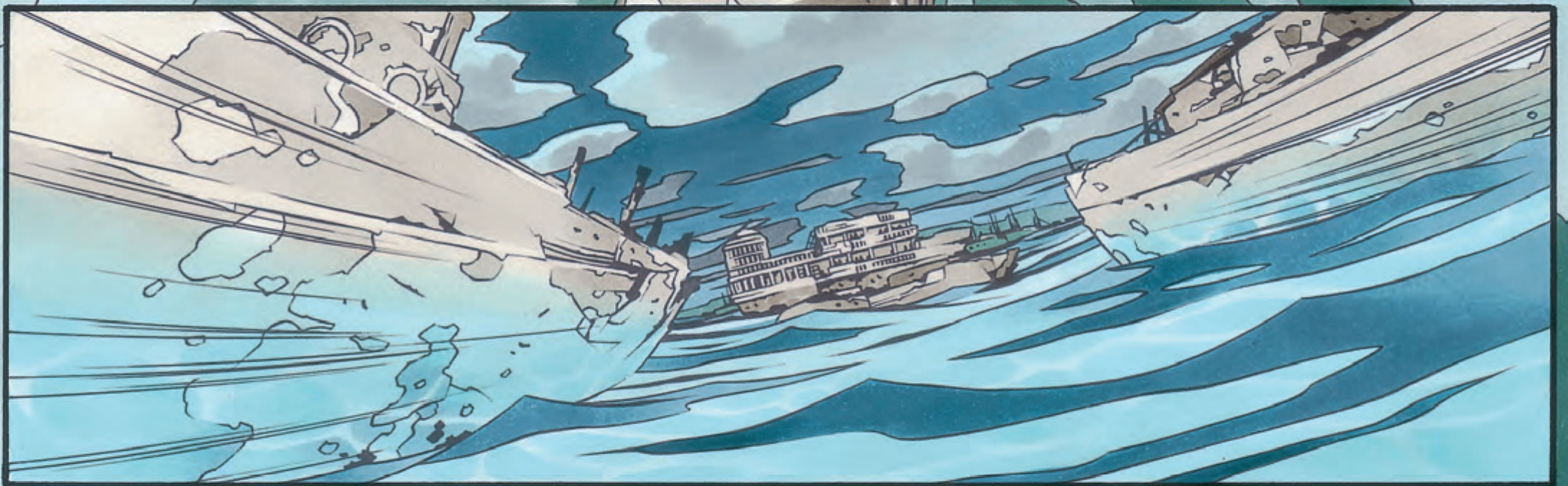
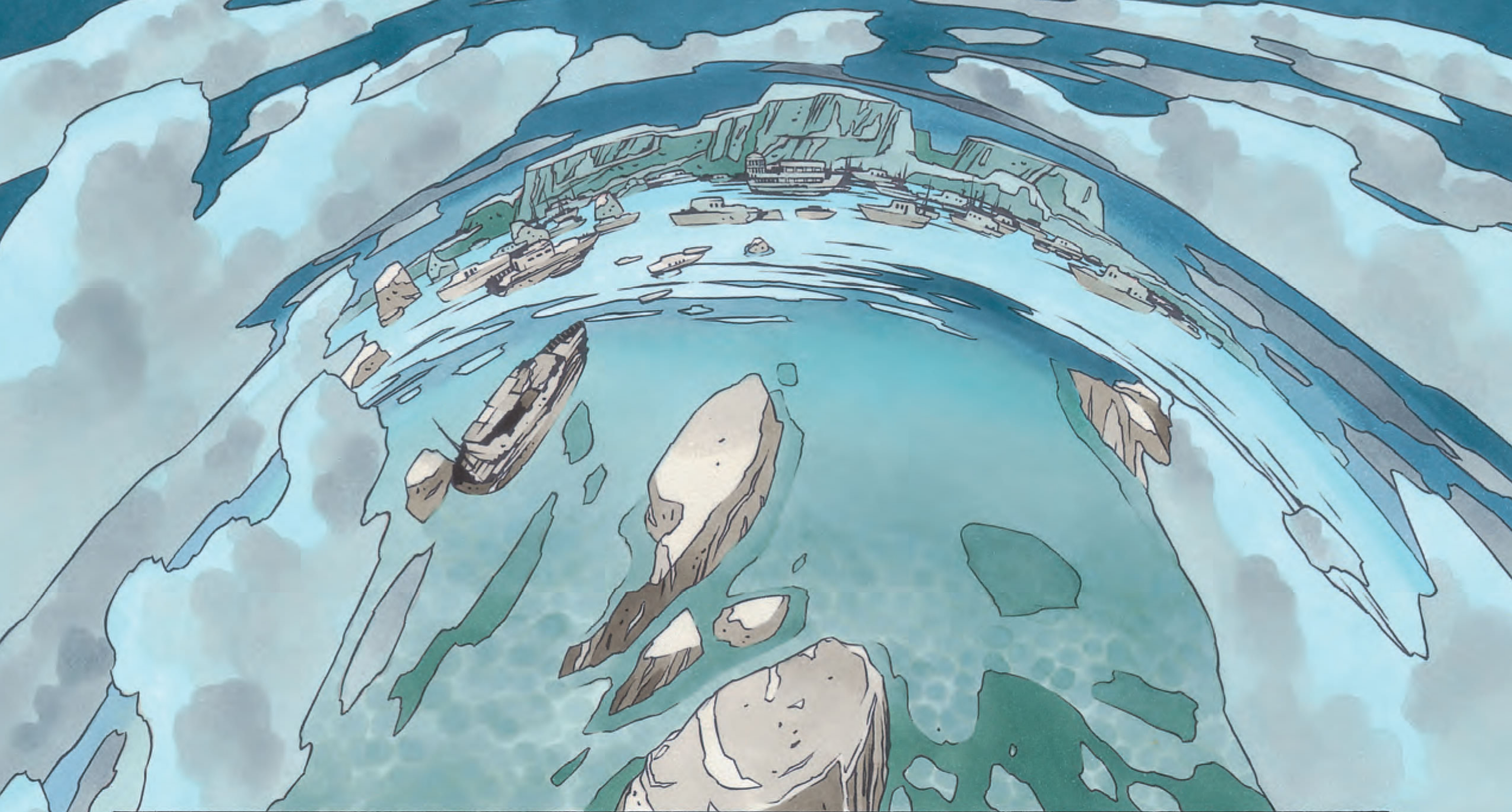


So, LITTLE DUDES...
WHAT'S UP?









Have I really killed
Piedro after all...?

I guess it's possible,
but I'd like to see his body.
If he's really dead, then I've
finally gotten my revenge...

But...

...what'll I have
left to look
forward to?

**YOU REALLY ARE PIGS,
ENJOYING SUCH
DEBAUCHERY!**

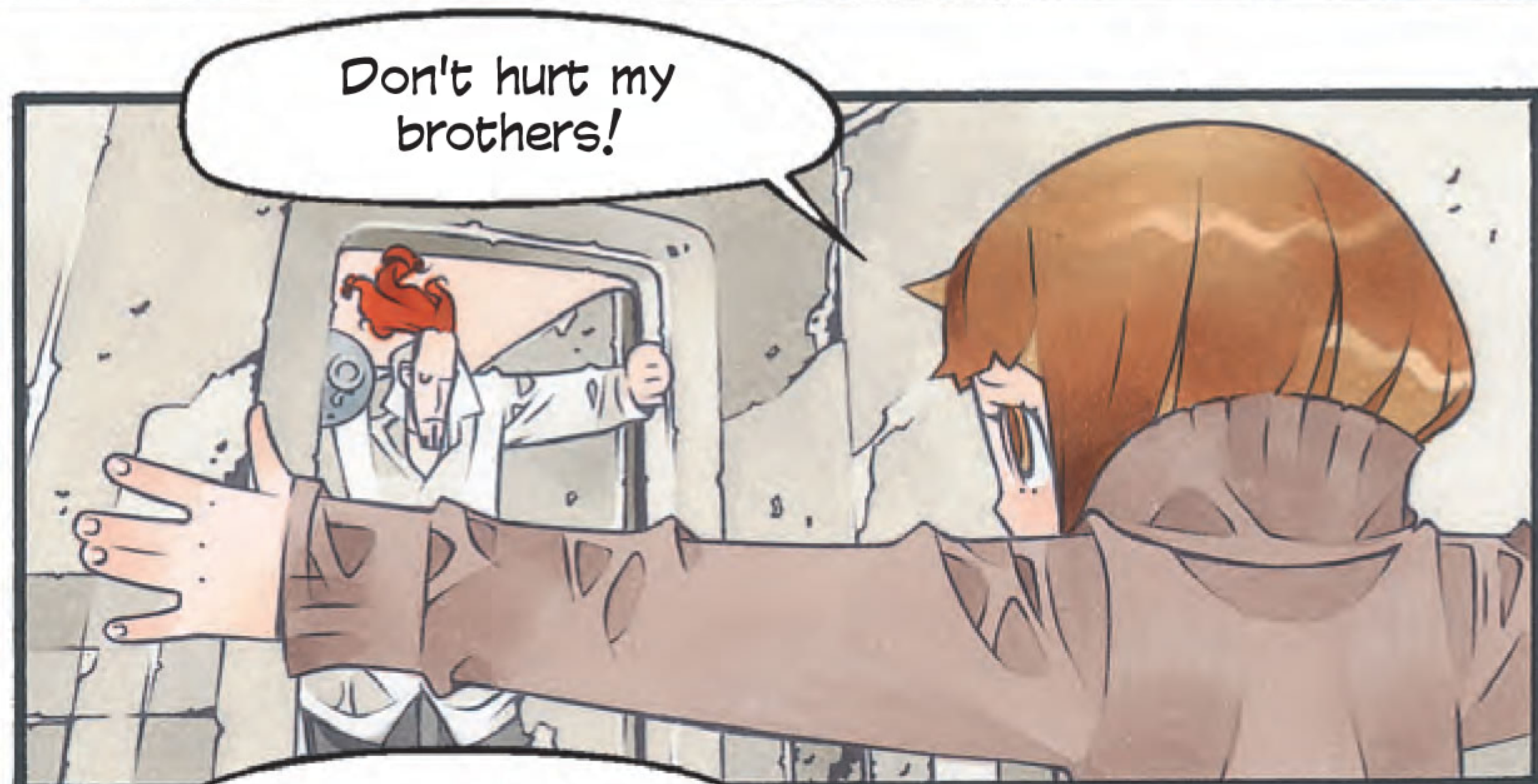
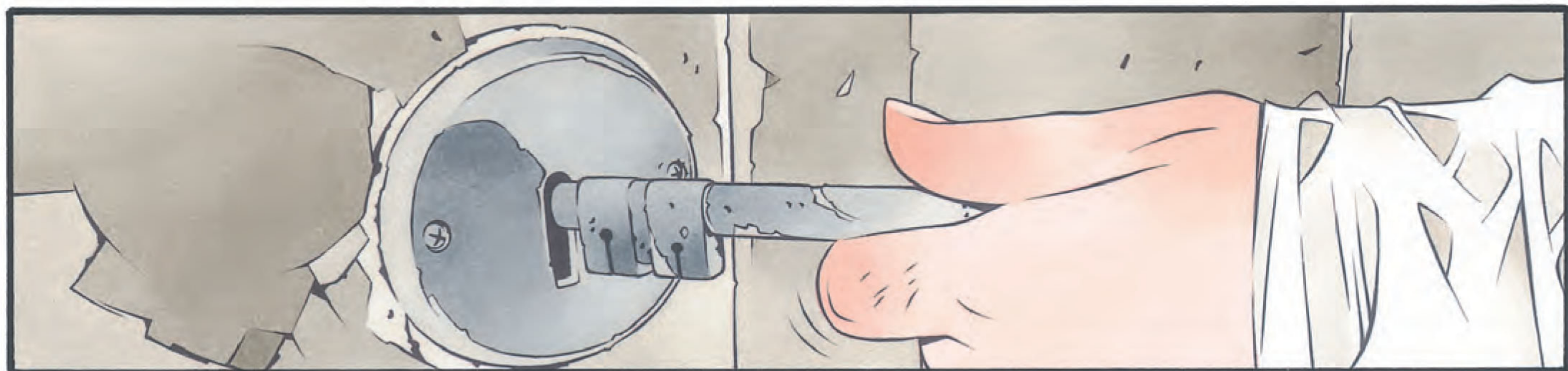
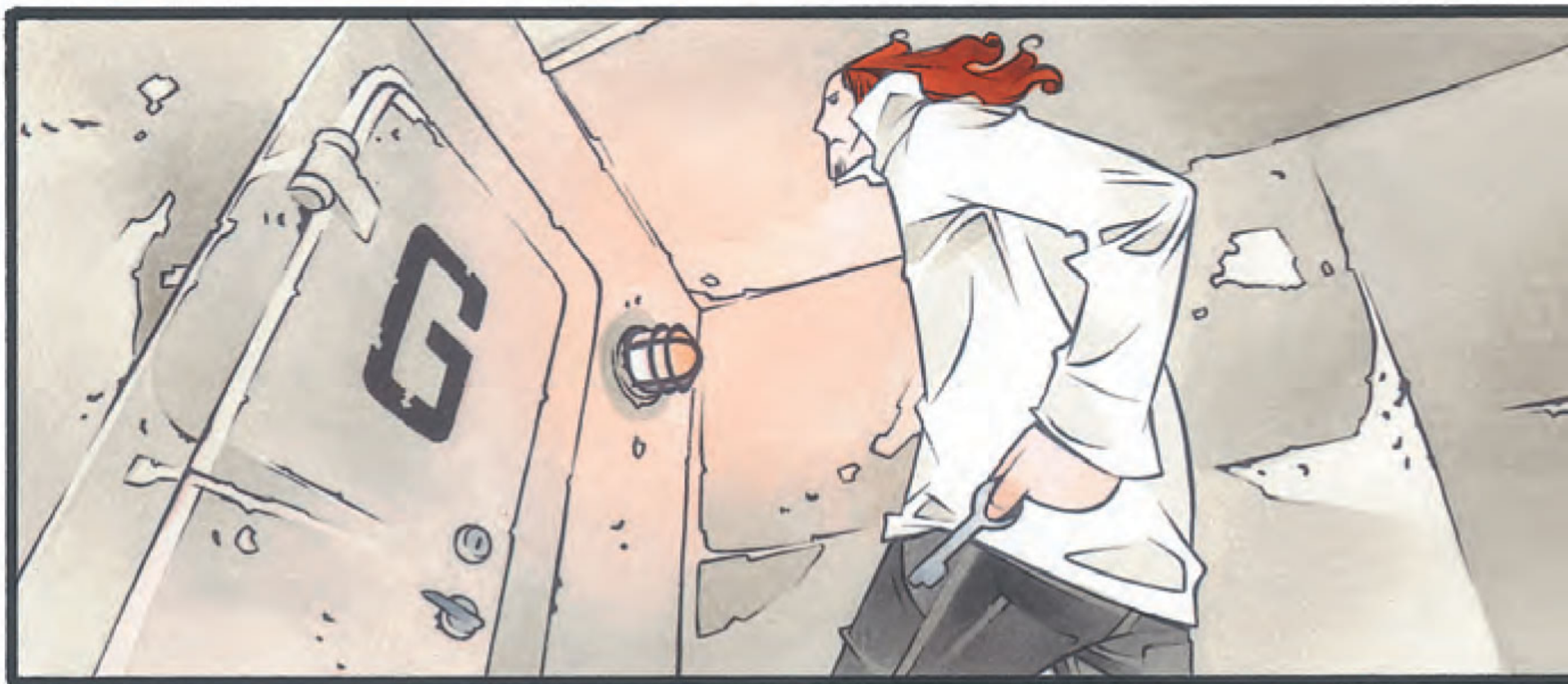
But... Captain!
We just got rid of our
worst enemies!

All at
once!

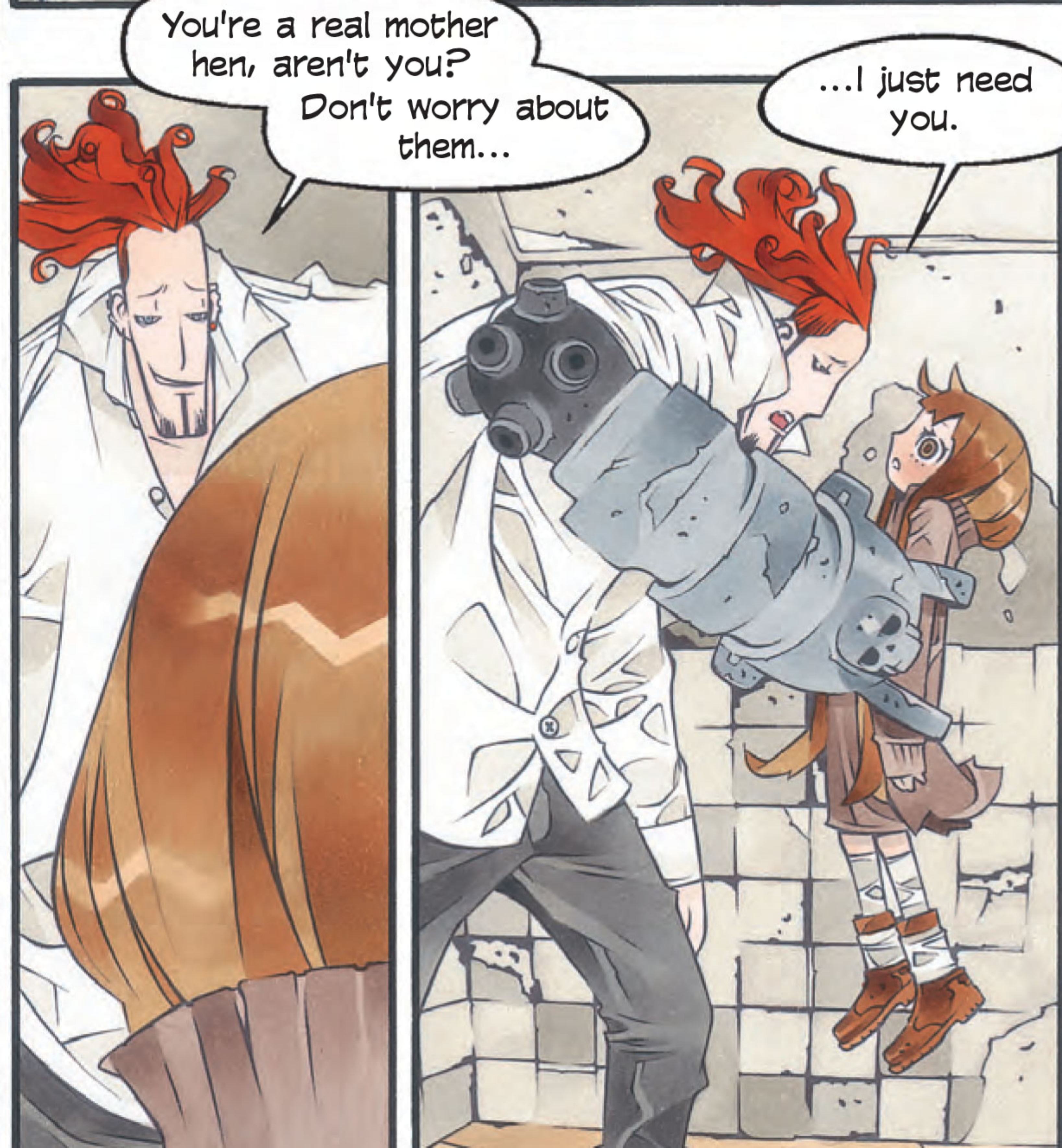
We should
celebrate!

Well, celebrate
in silence.

I want peace.
Or I'll gut you.

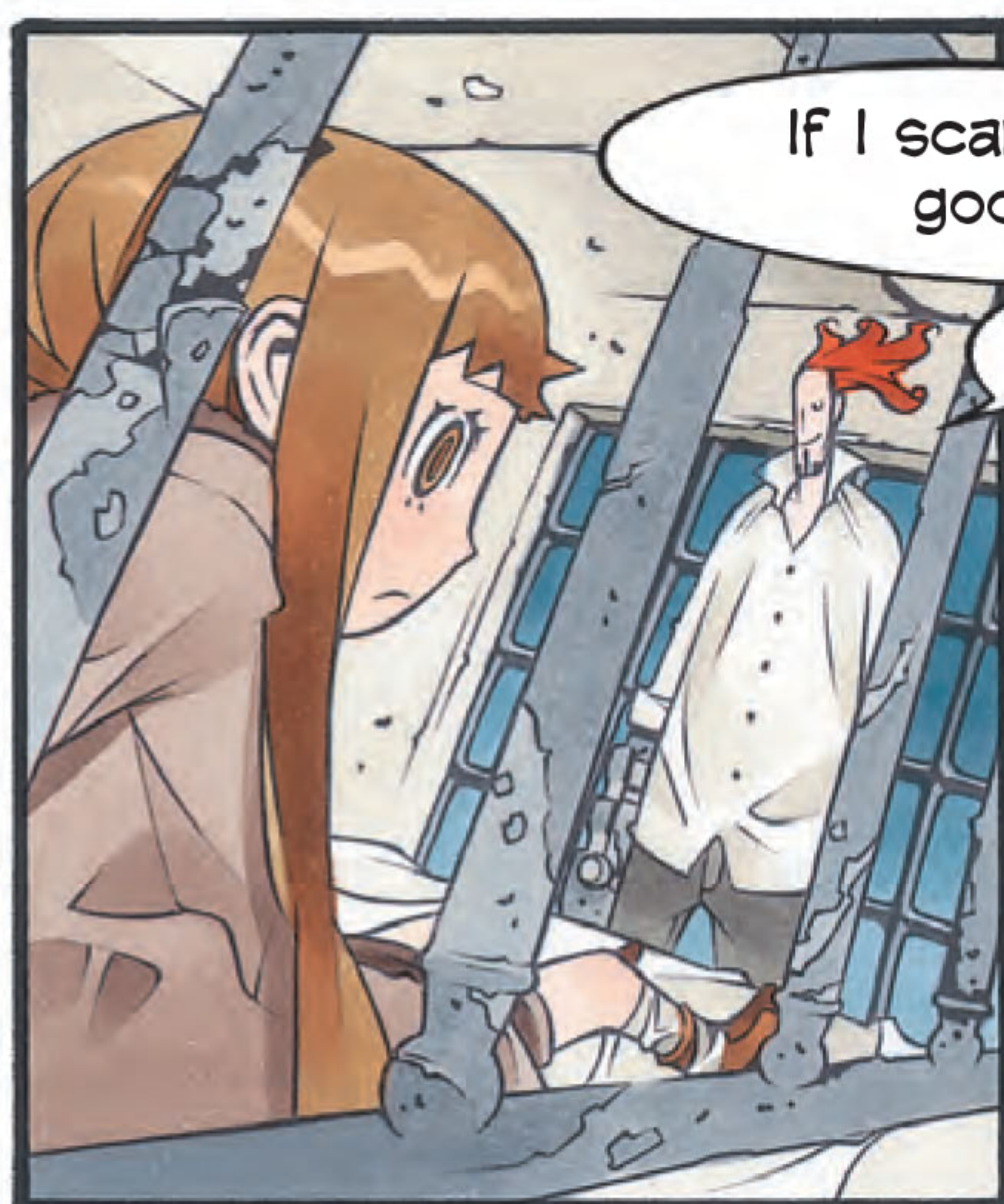
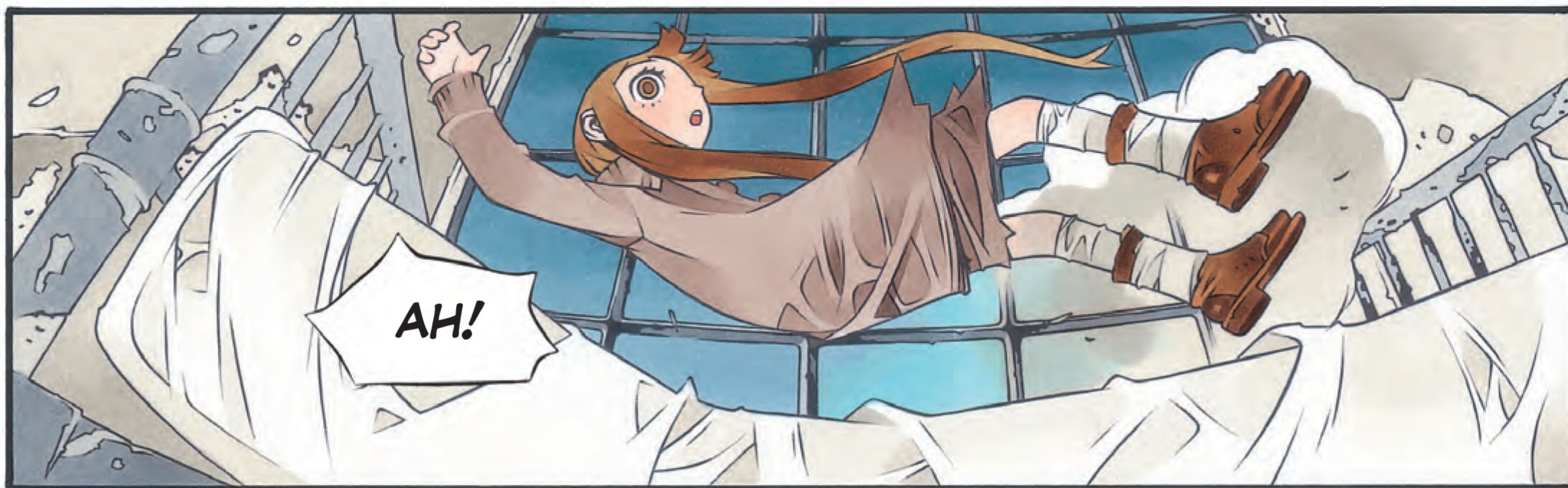


Don't hurt my brothers!



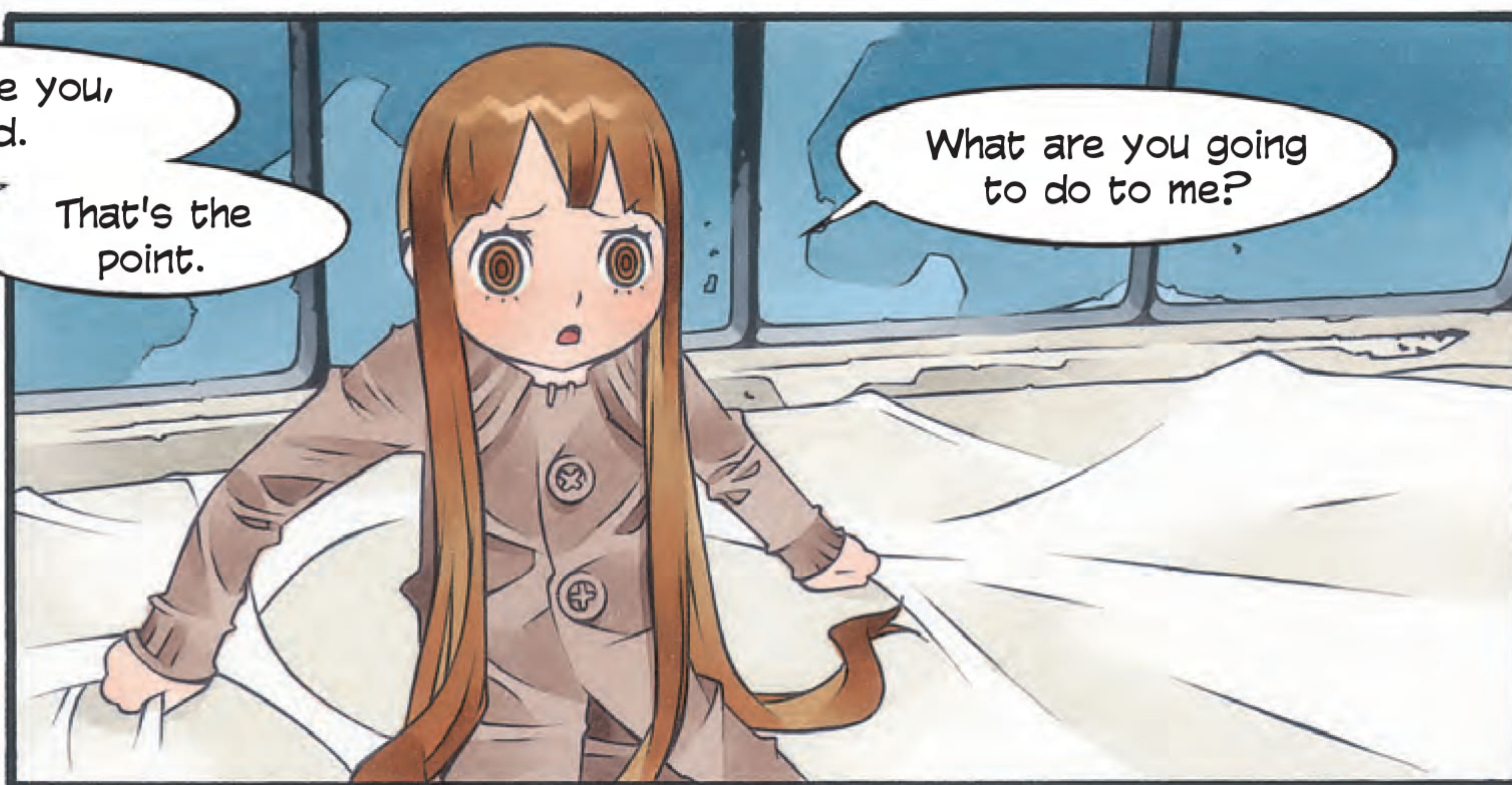
You're a real mother hen, aren't you?
Don't worry about them...

...I just need you.



If I scare you,
good.

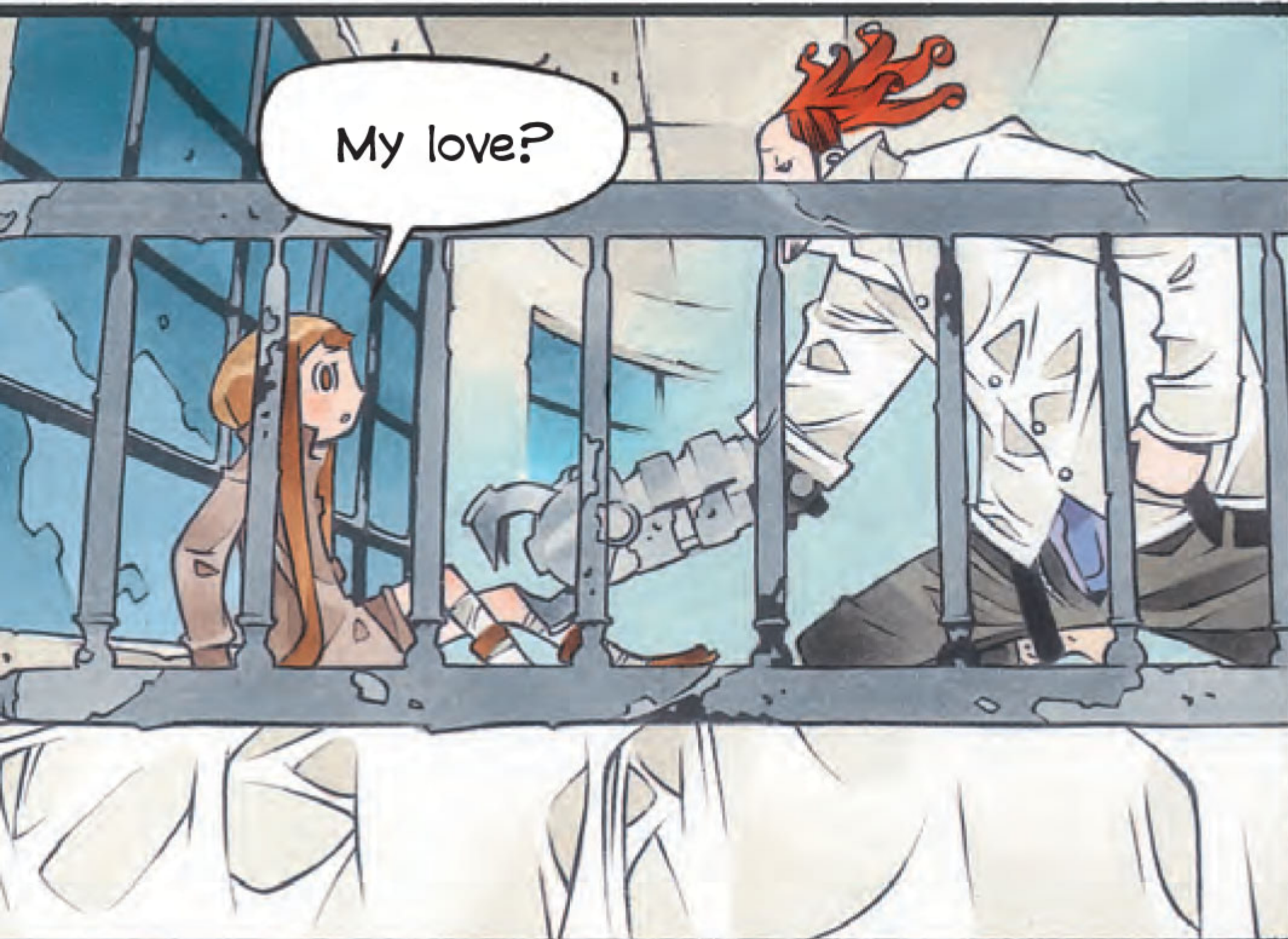
That's the
point.



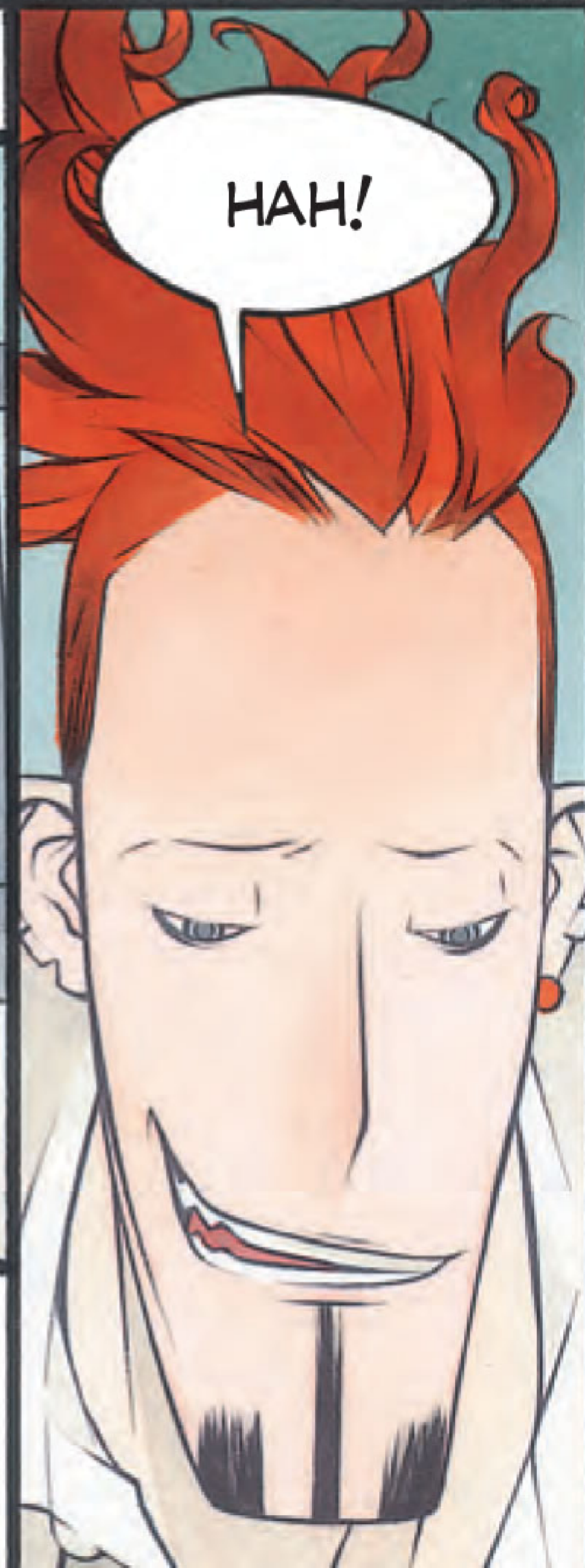
What are you going
to do to me?



I'm gonna take what you
offered Piedro...



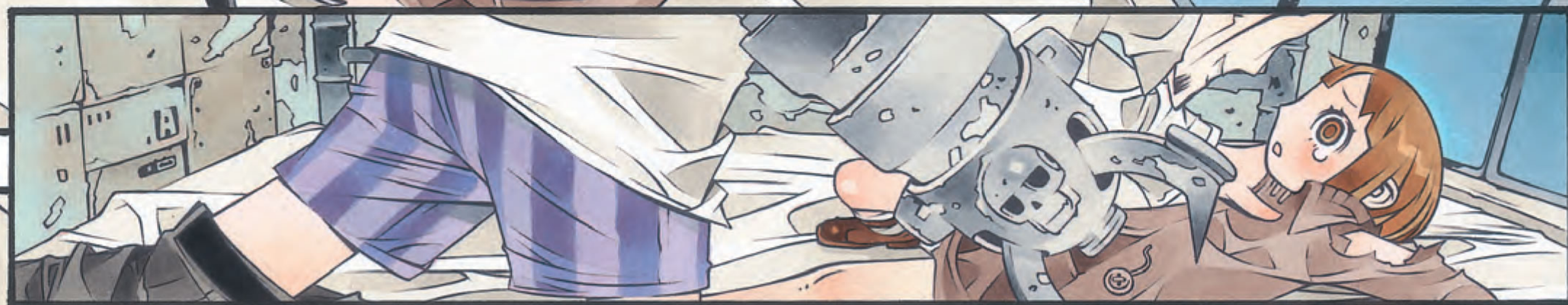
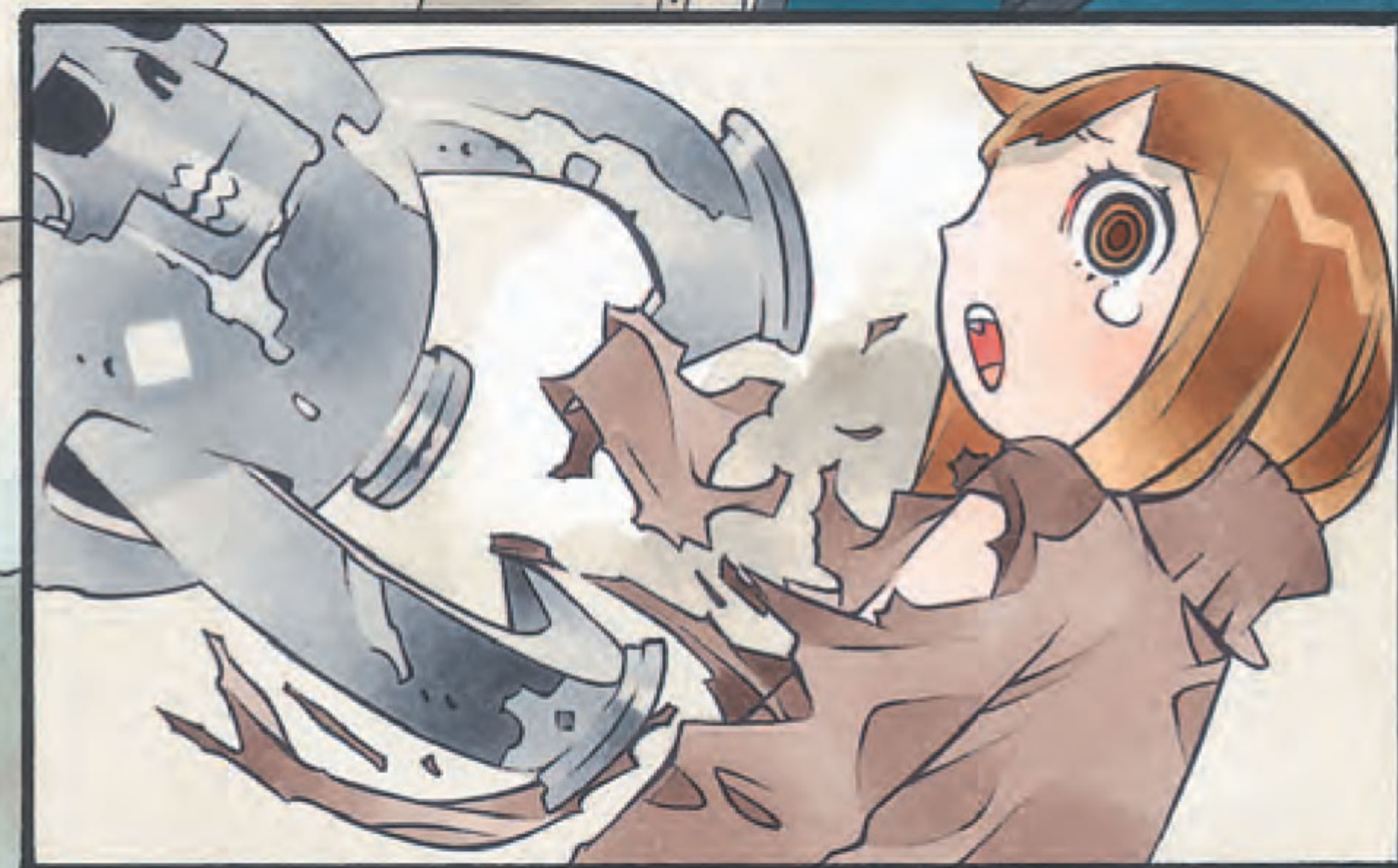
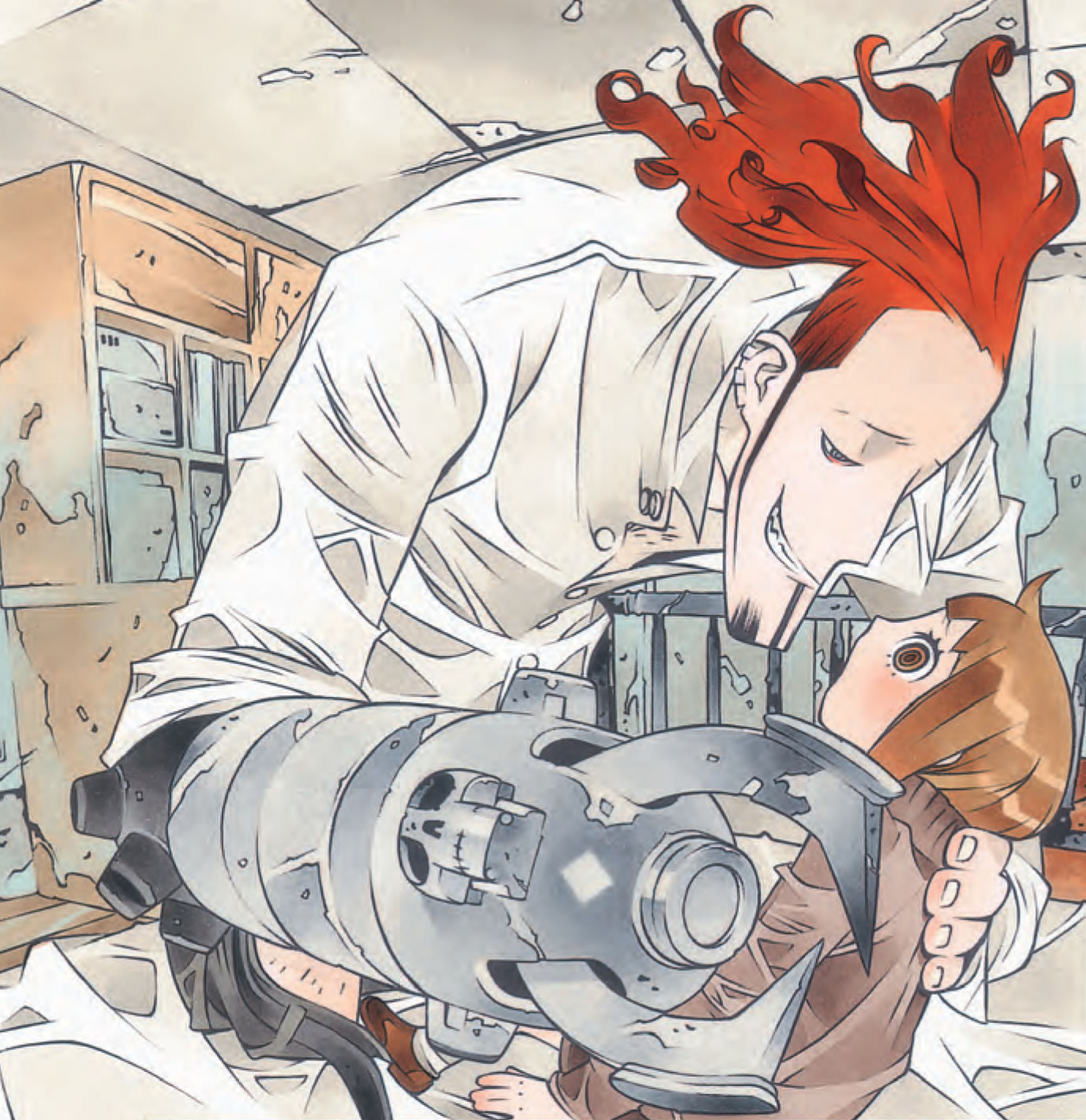
My love?



HAH!



I guess you could
call it that.

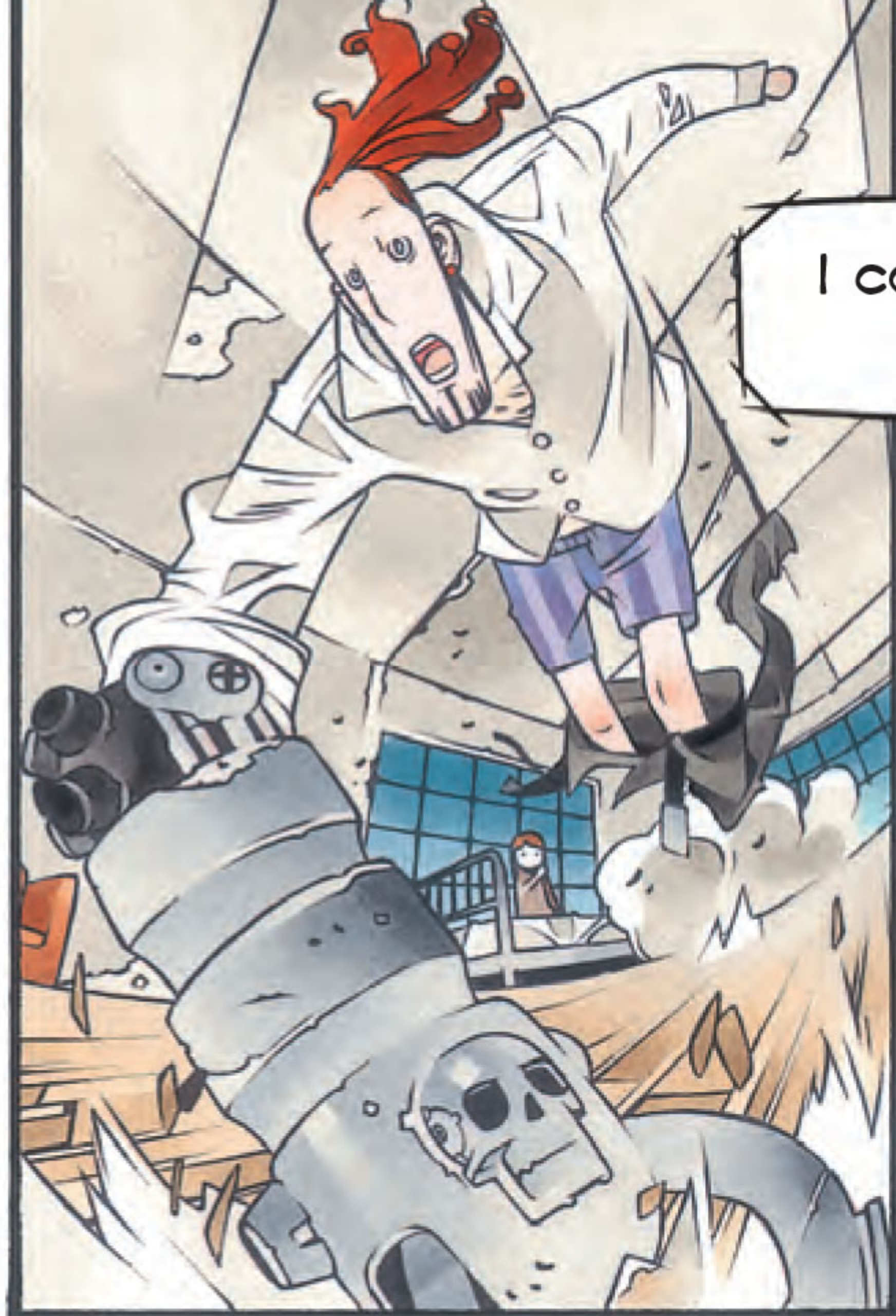


So you finally did it...

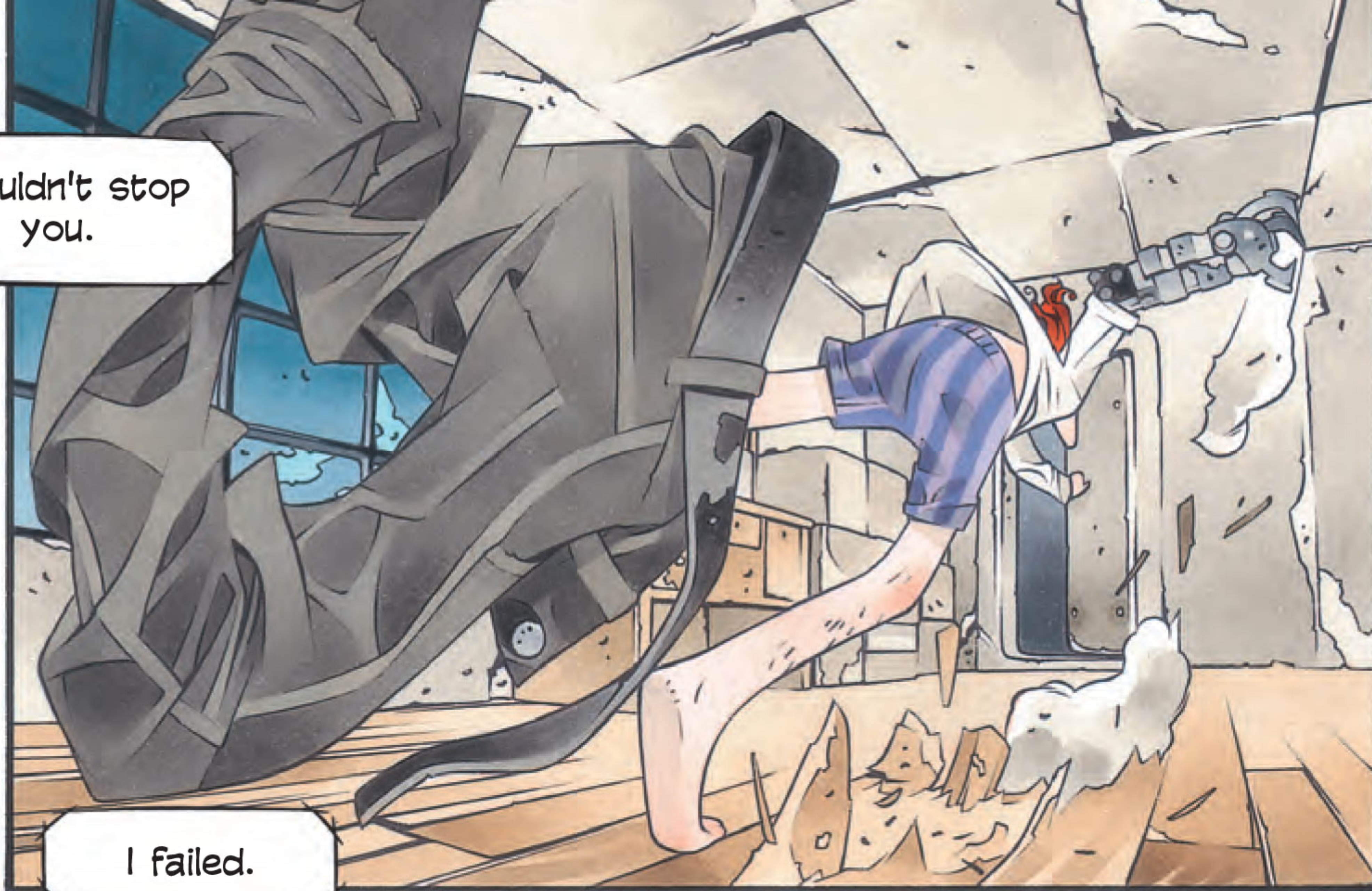
Piedro?

You killed Piedro!

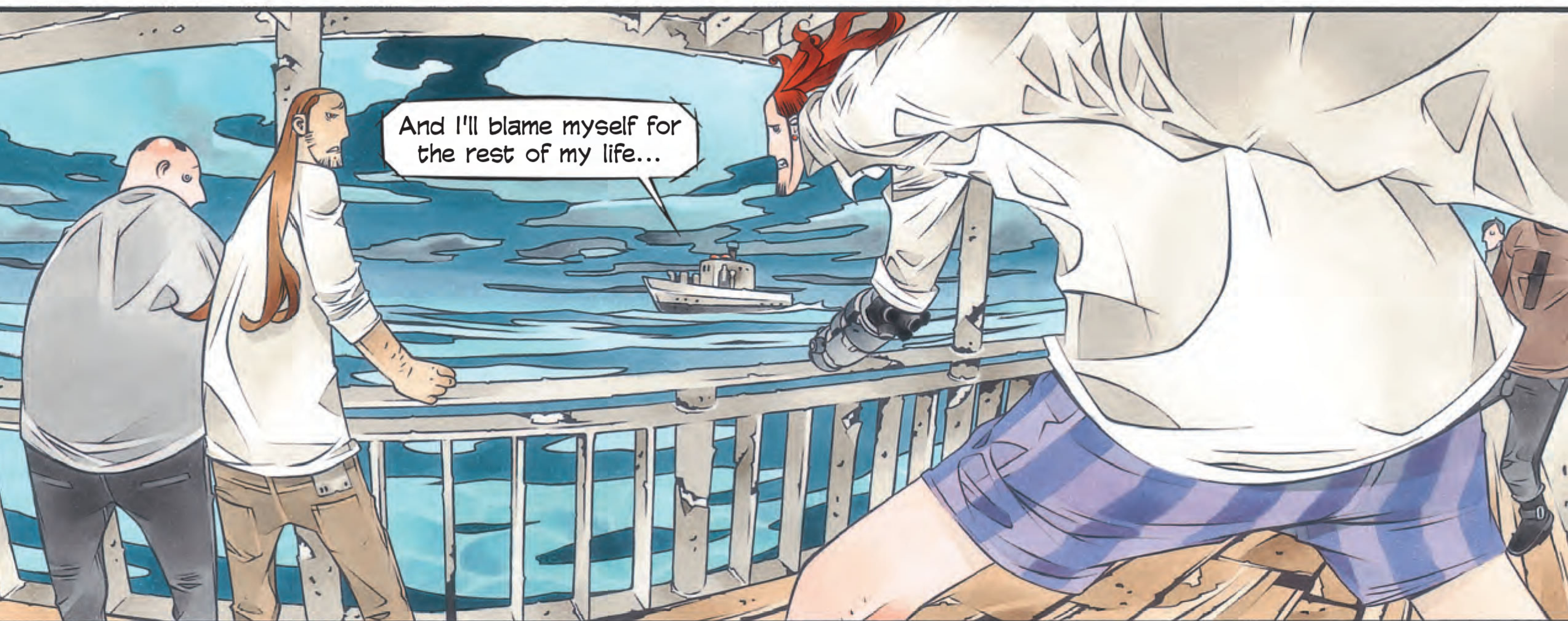
EL COCODRILO!



I couldn't stop you.



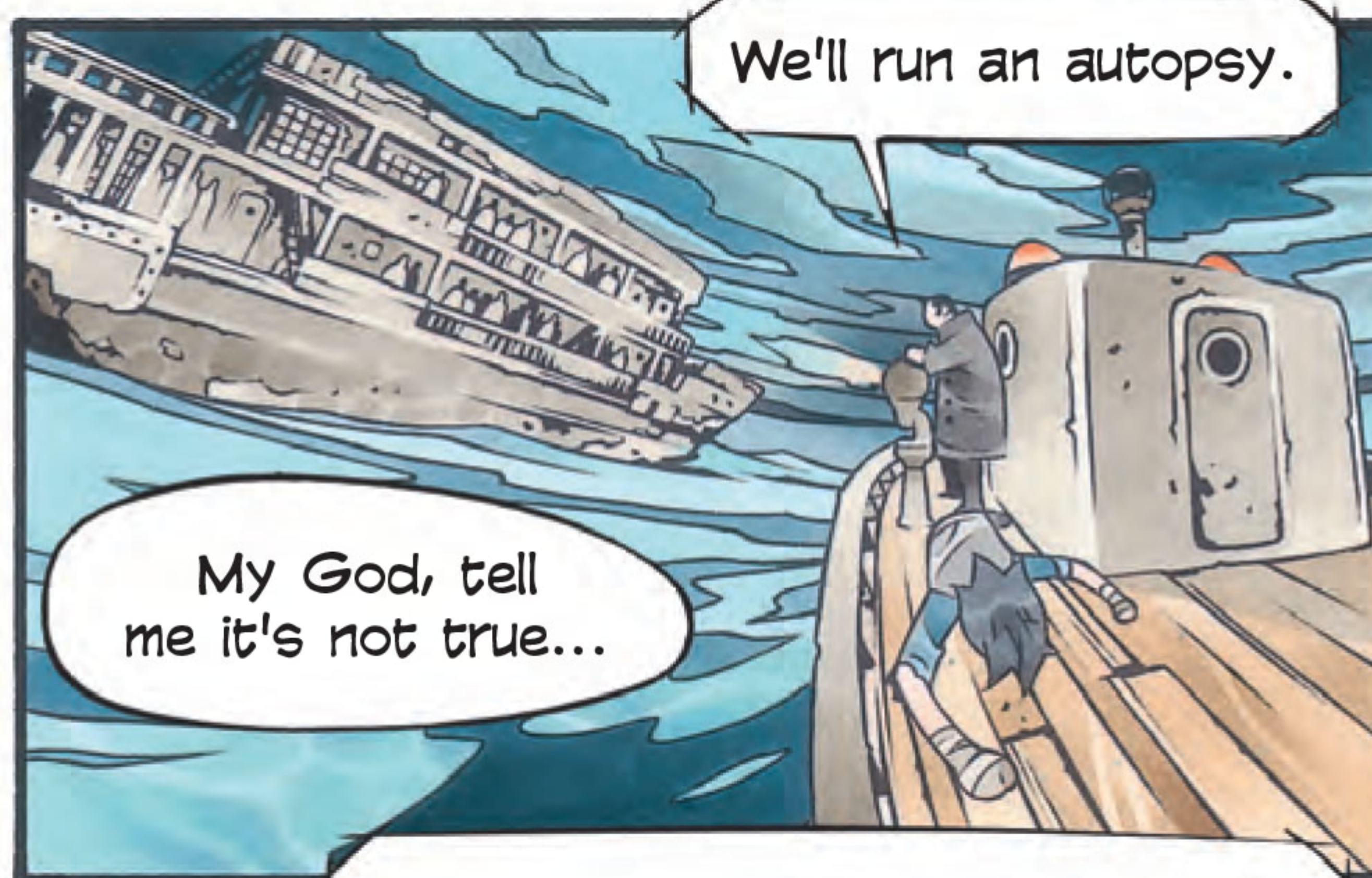
I failed.



And I'll blame myself for the rest of my life...



...but I recovered his body.



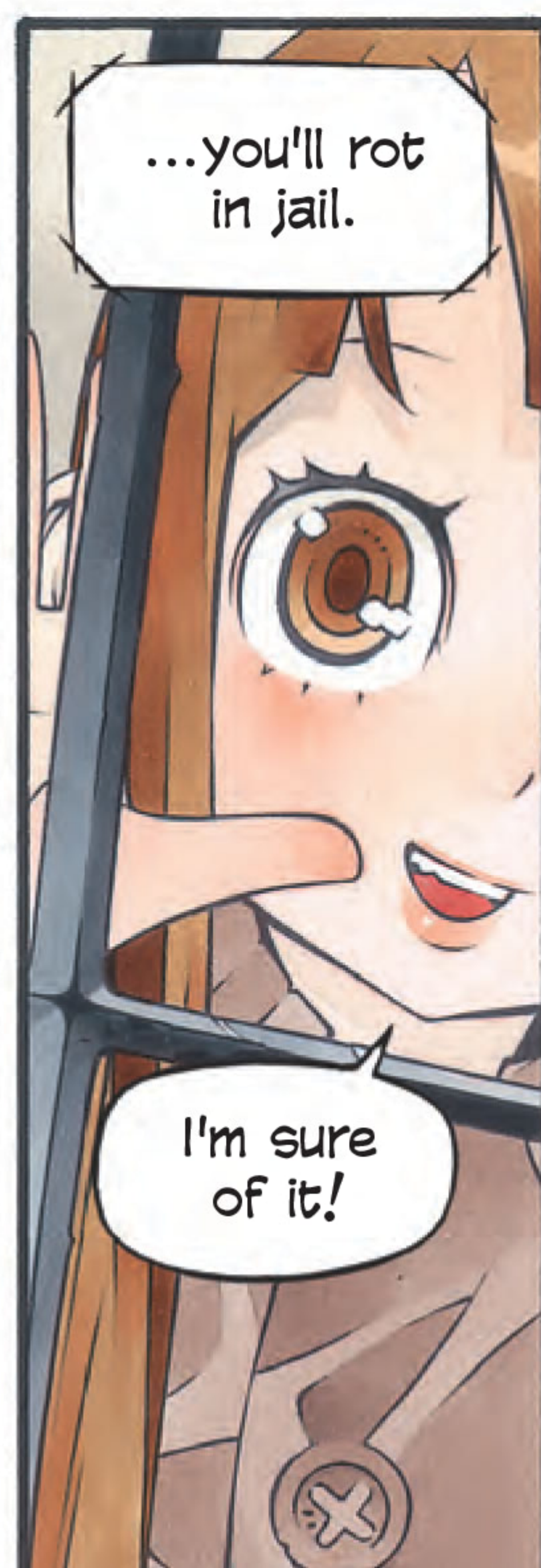
We'll run an autopsy.

My God, tell me it's not true...



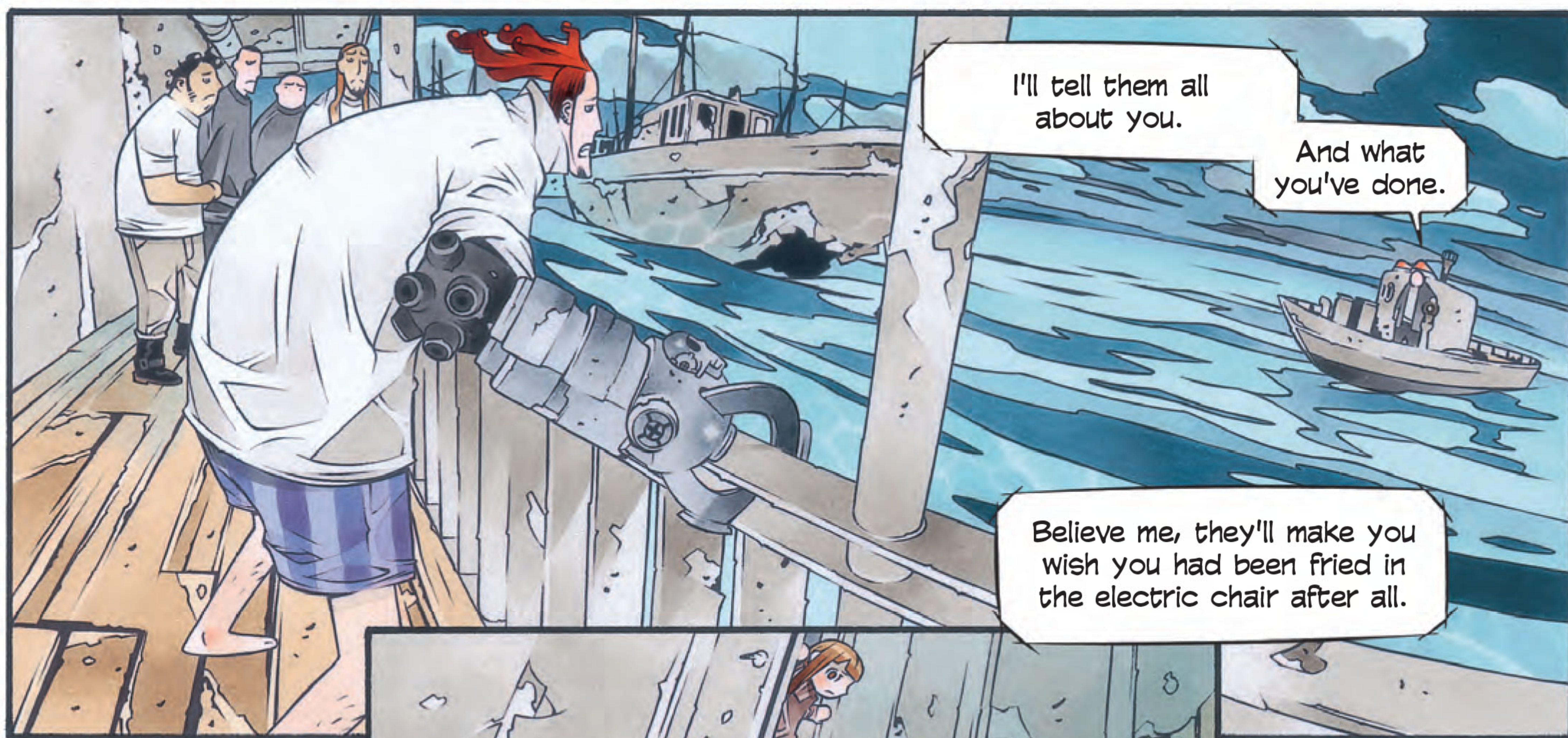
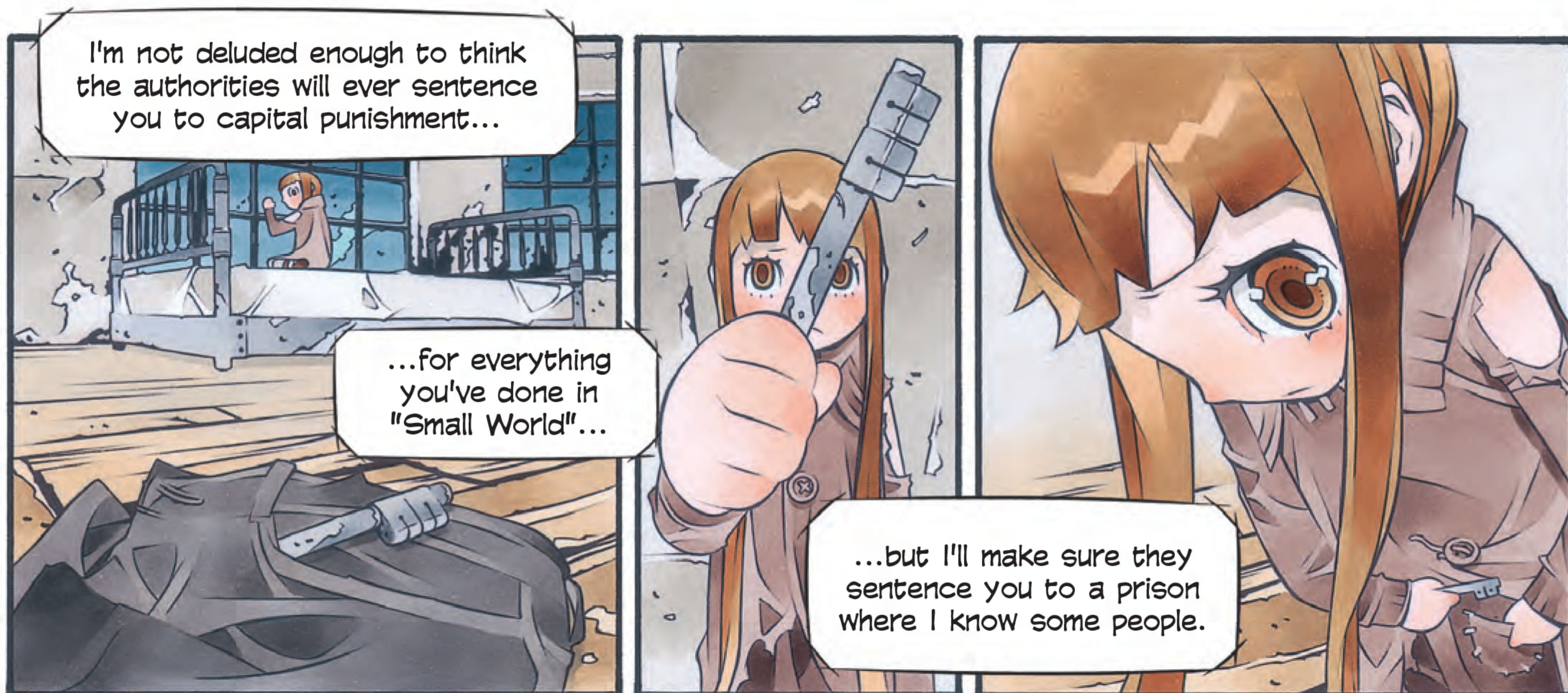
And if I find the slightest legal proof that leads back to you...

Piedro's still alive!



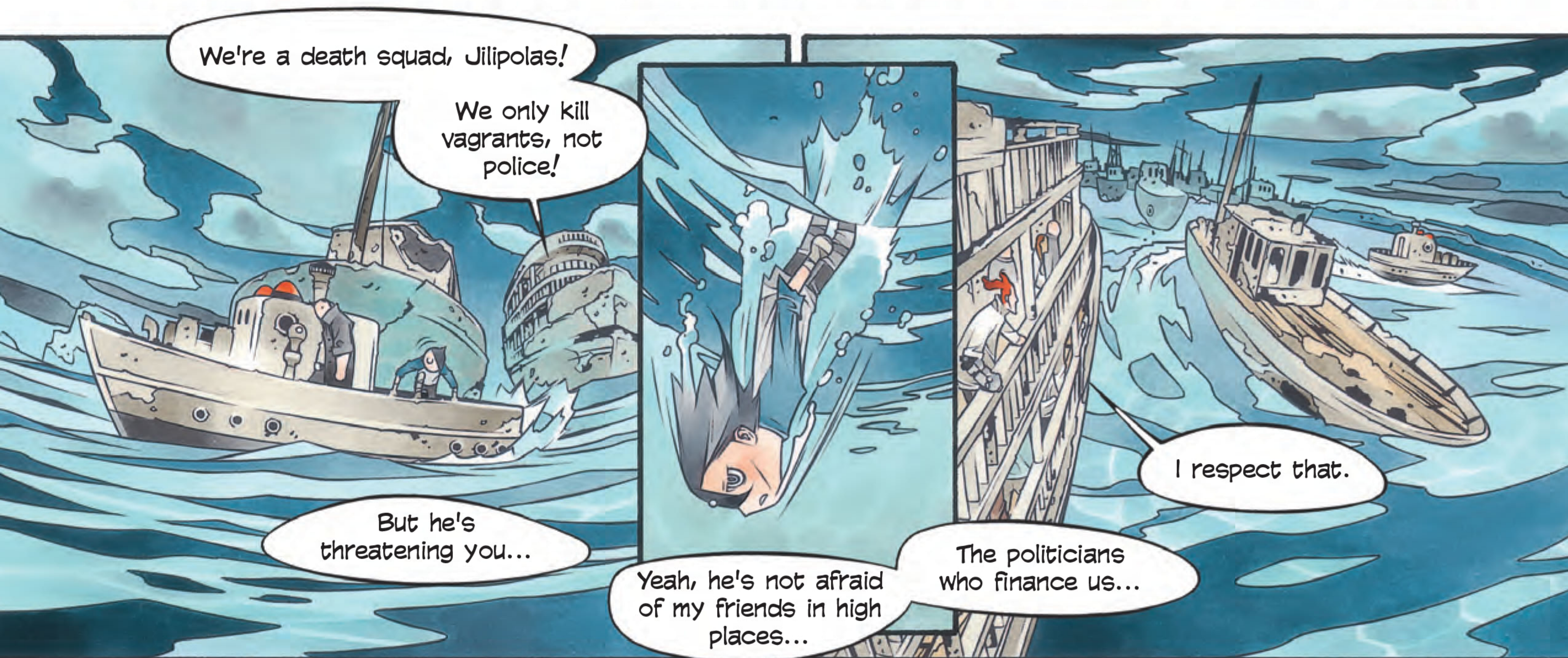
...you'll rot in jail.

I'm sure of it!





He's right there!
You sure you don't want
us to kill 'em?



We're a death squad, Jilipolas!

We only kill
vagrants, not
police!

But he's
threatening you...

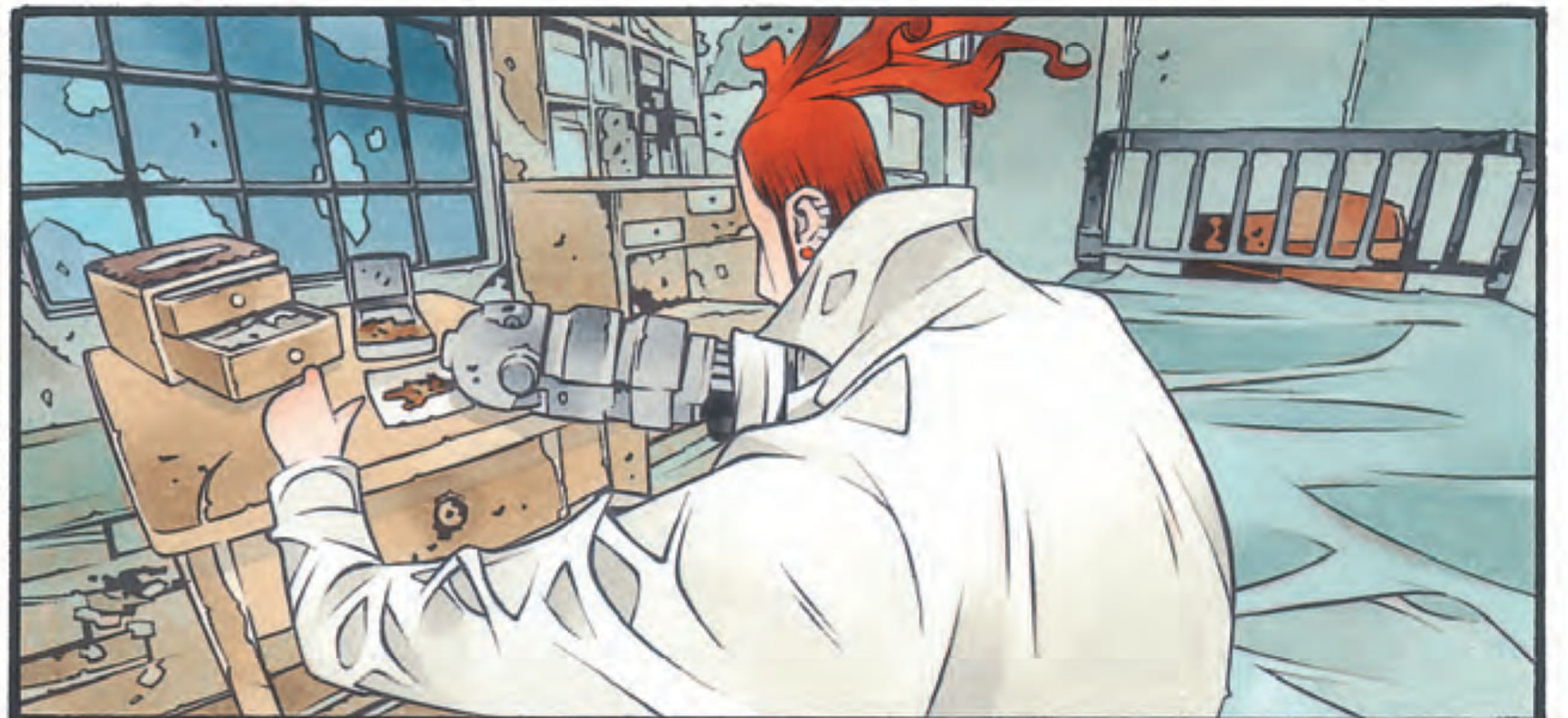
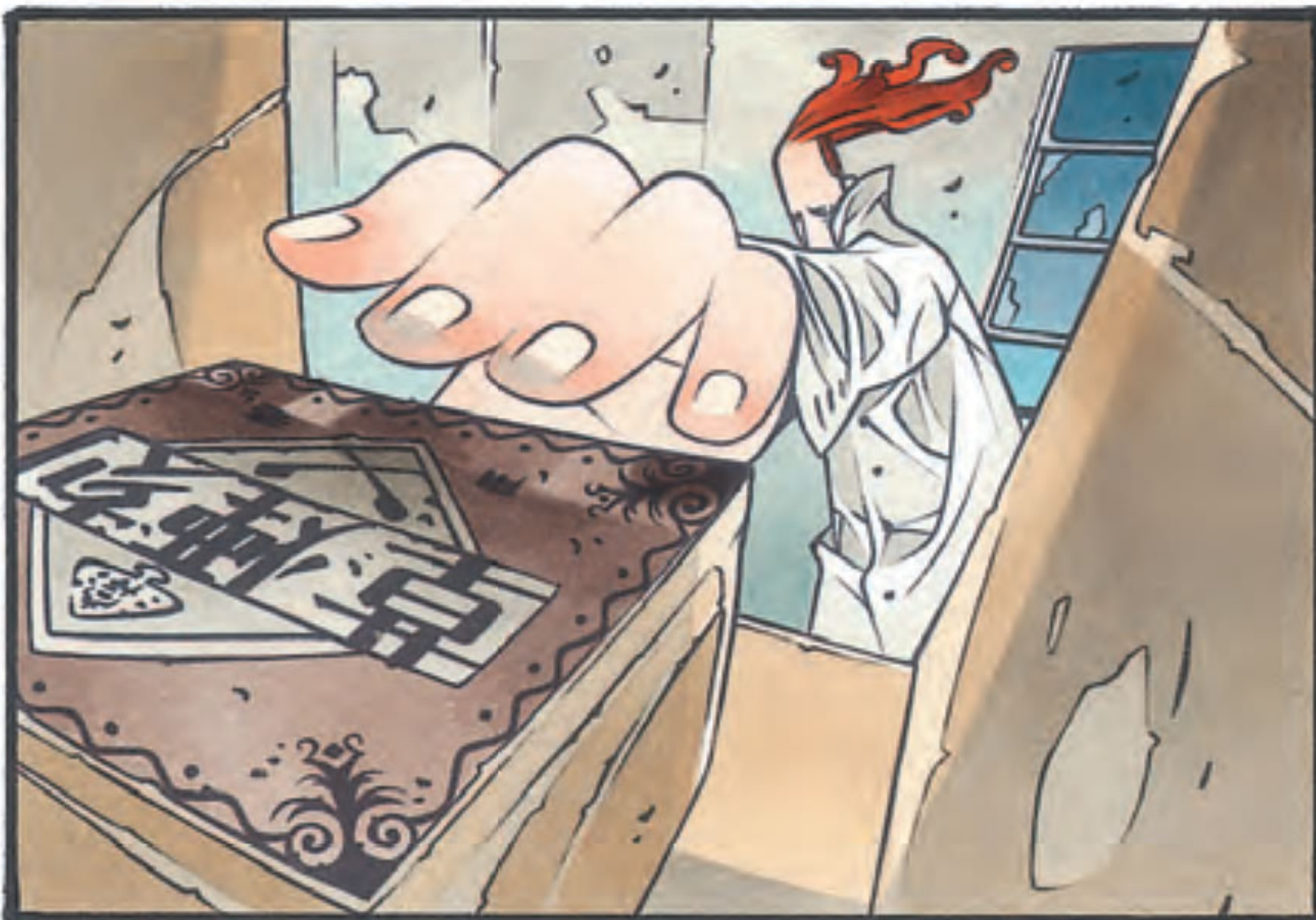
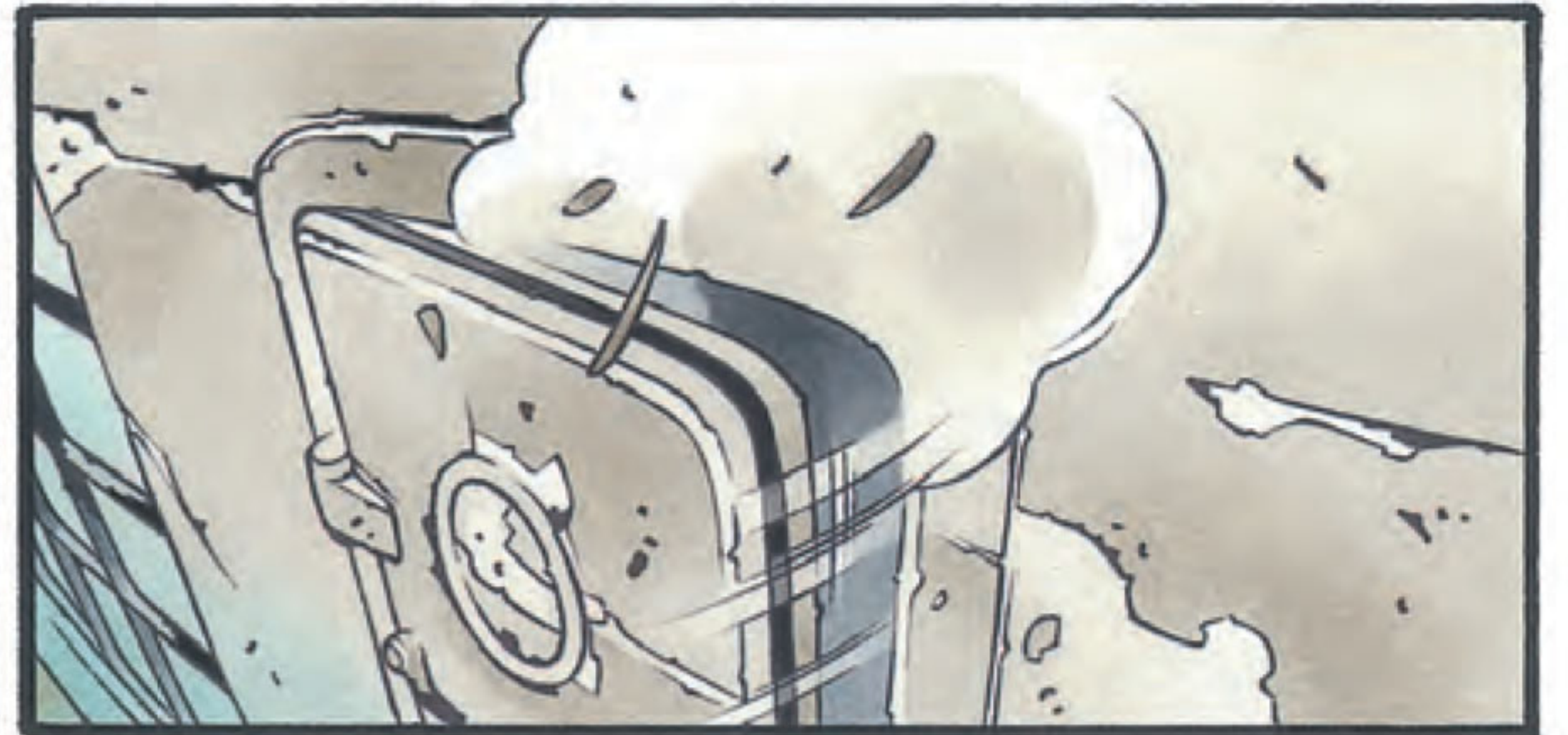
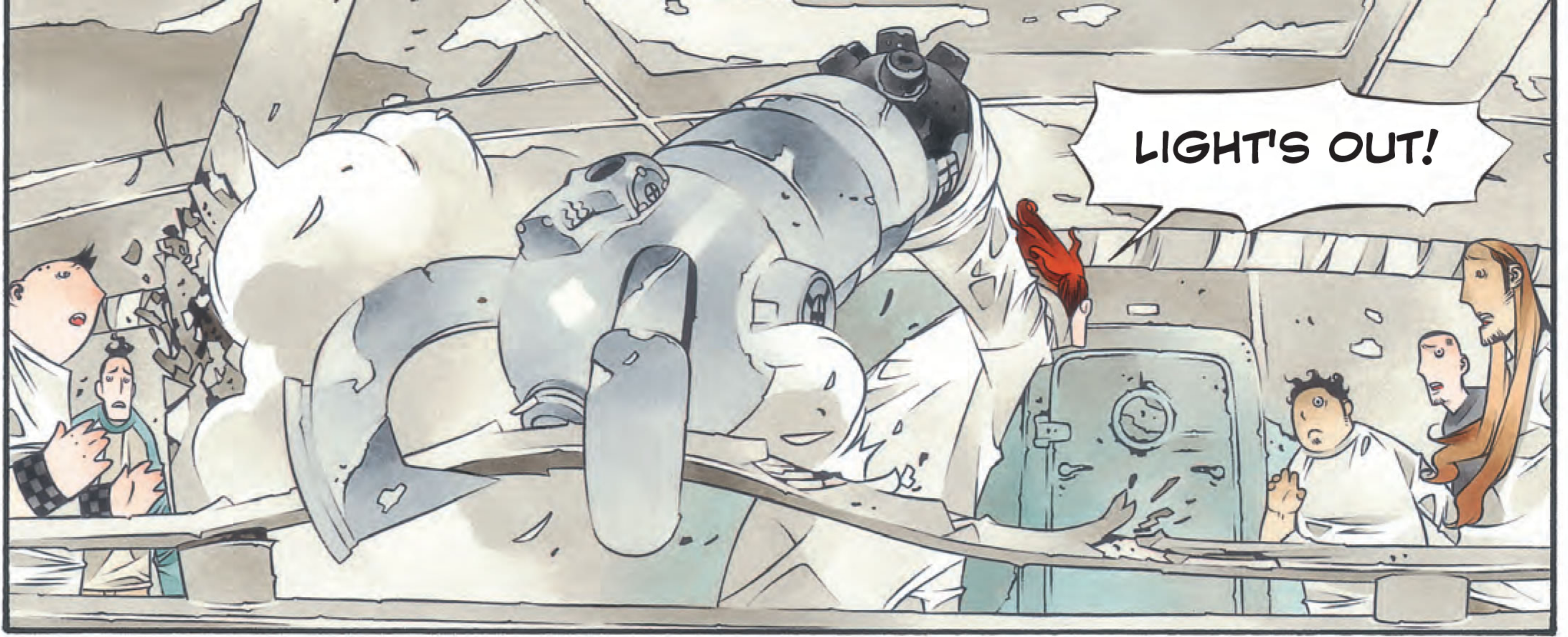
Yeah, he's not afraid
of my friends in high
places...

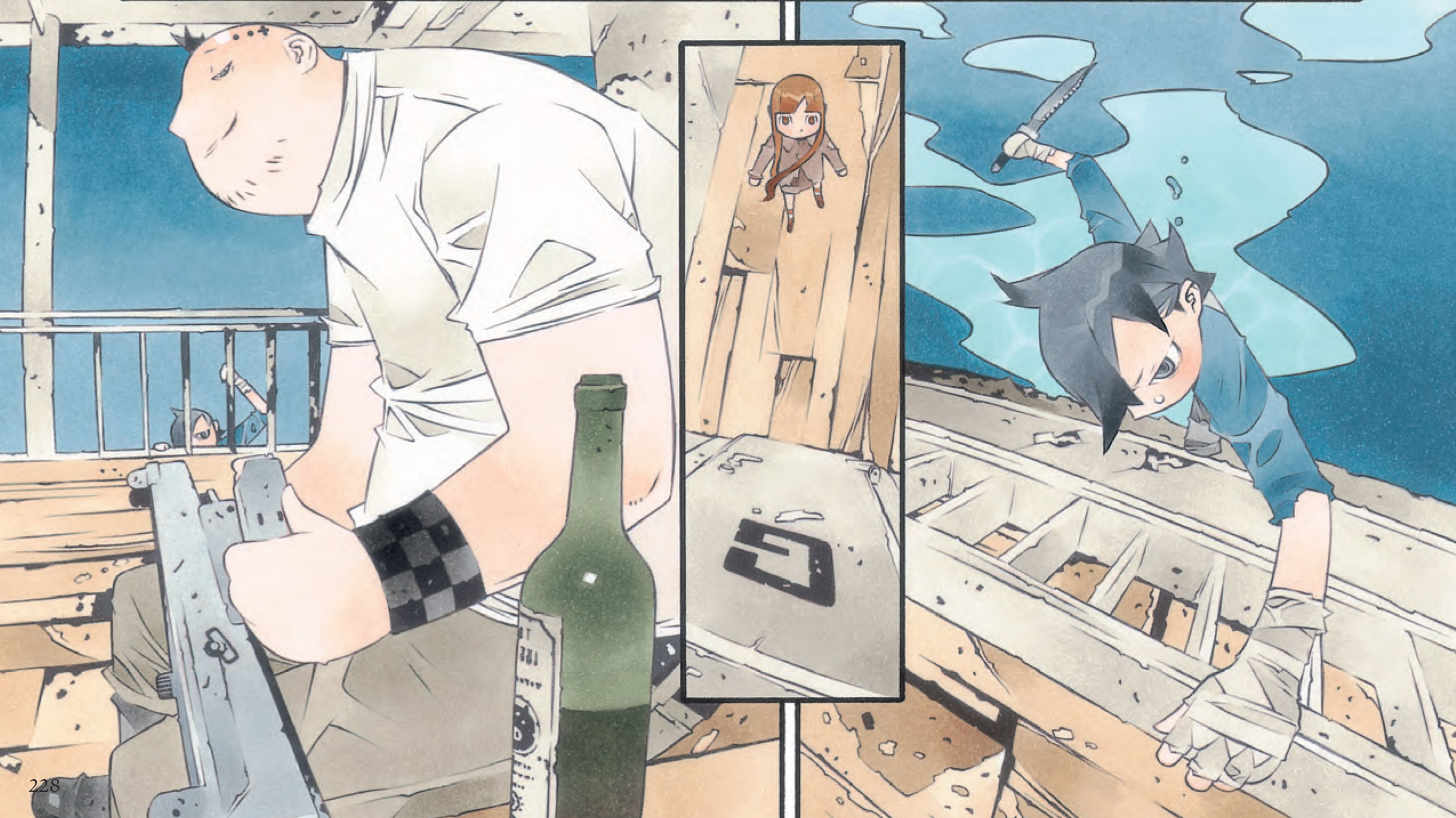
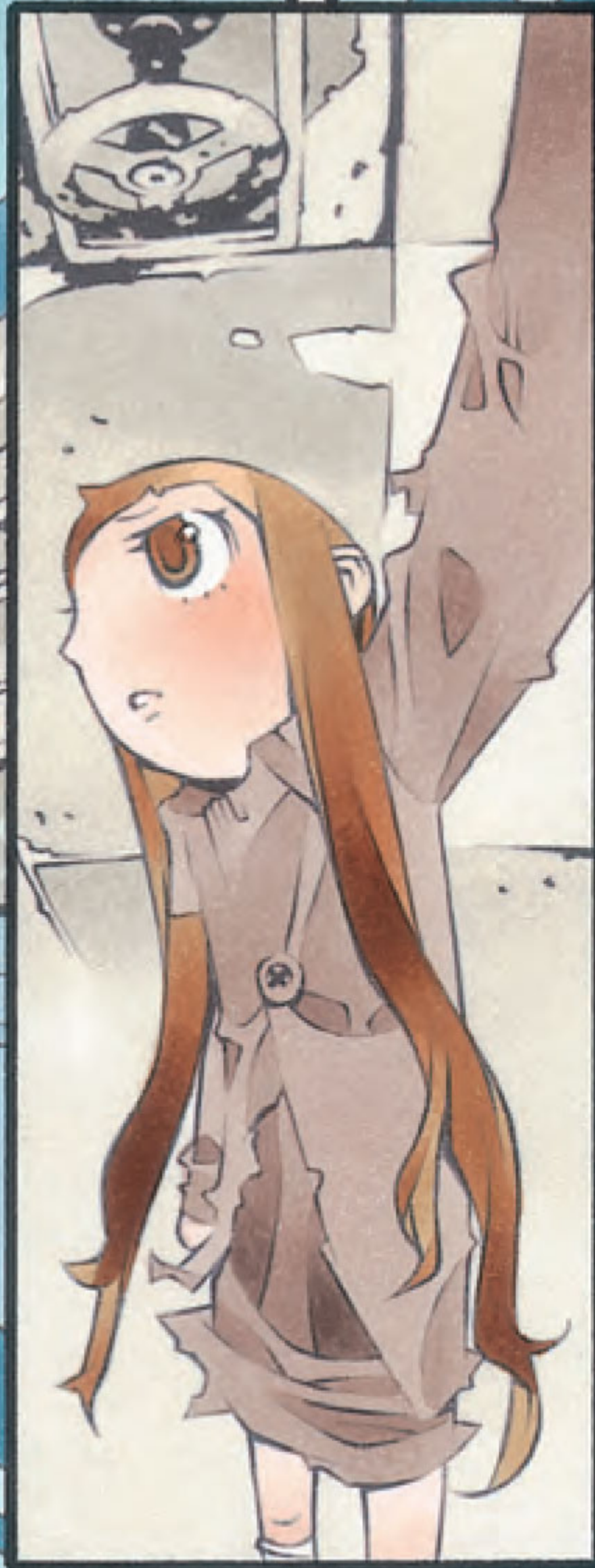
The politicians
who finance us...

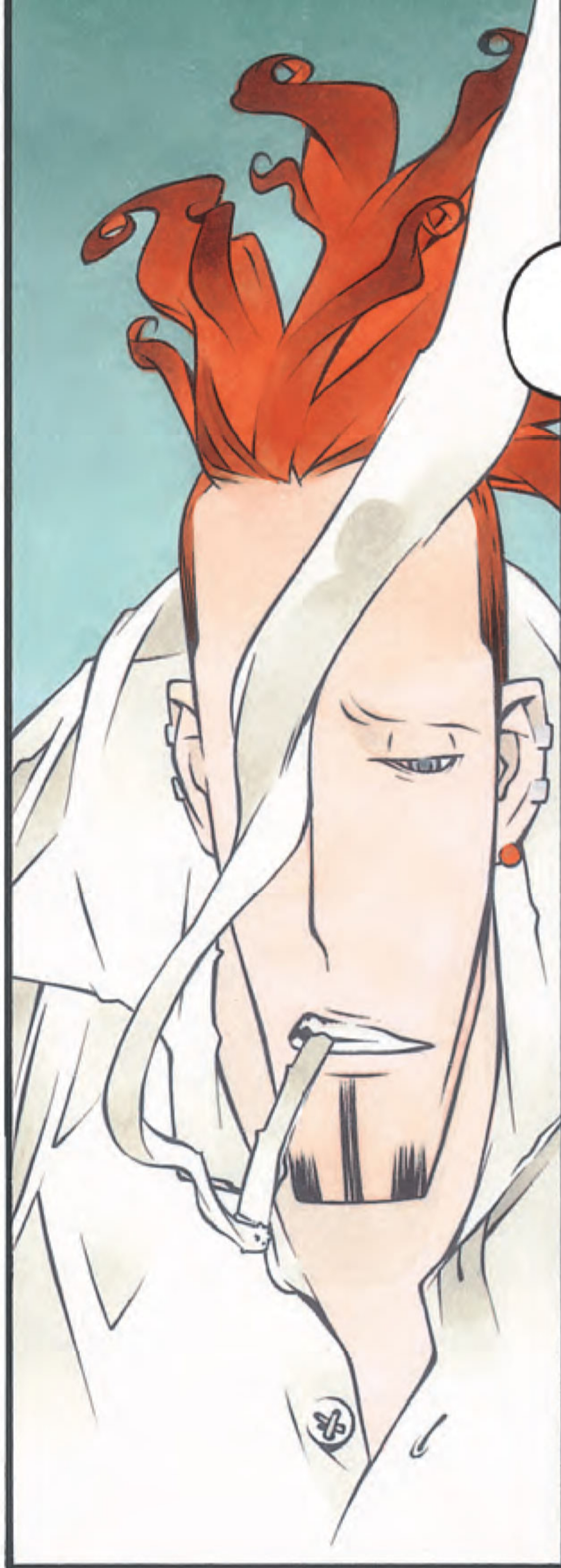
I respect that.



And I fear it.







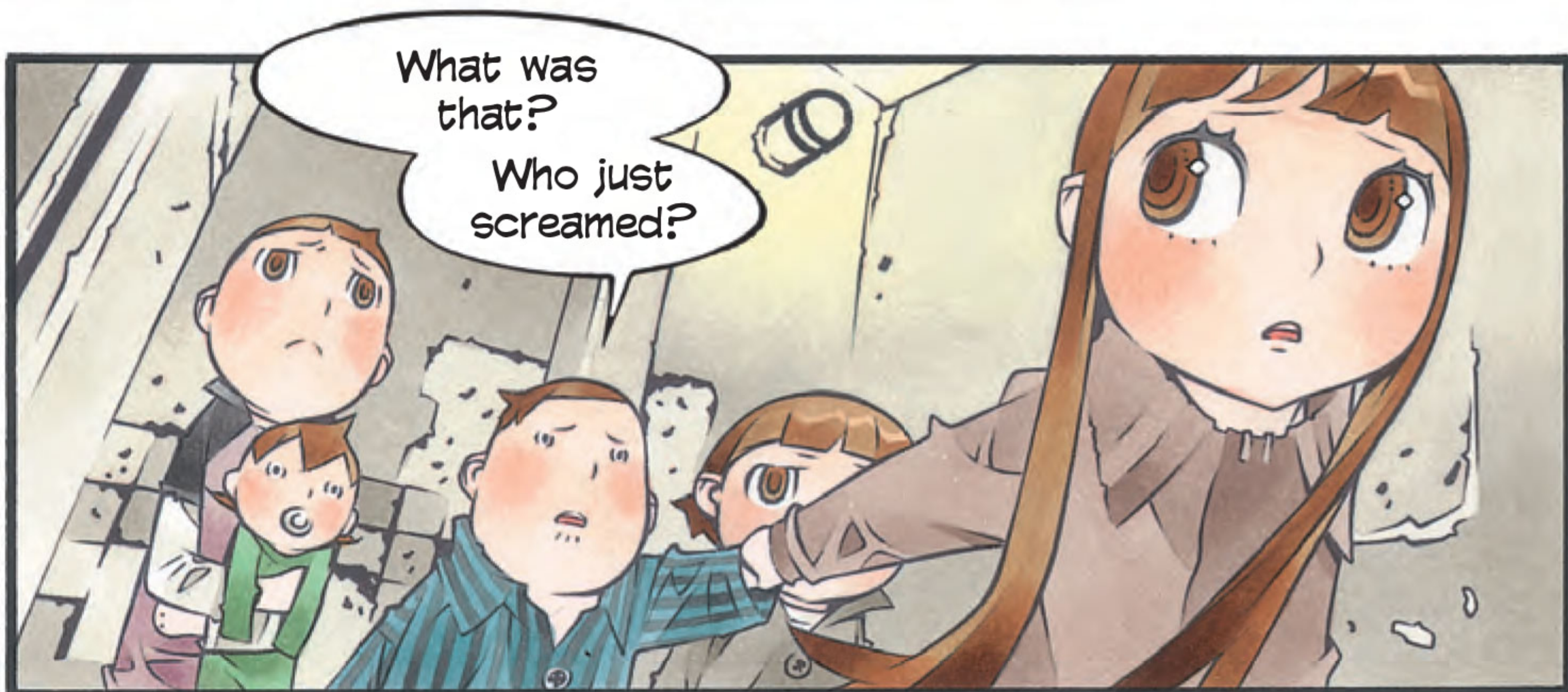
Hang on...



WHERE'D THE LITTLE SLUT GO?!



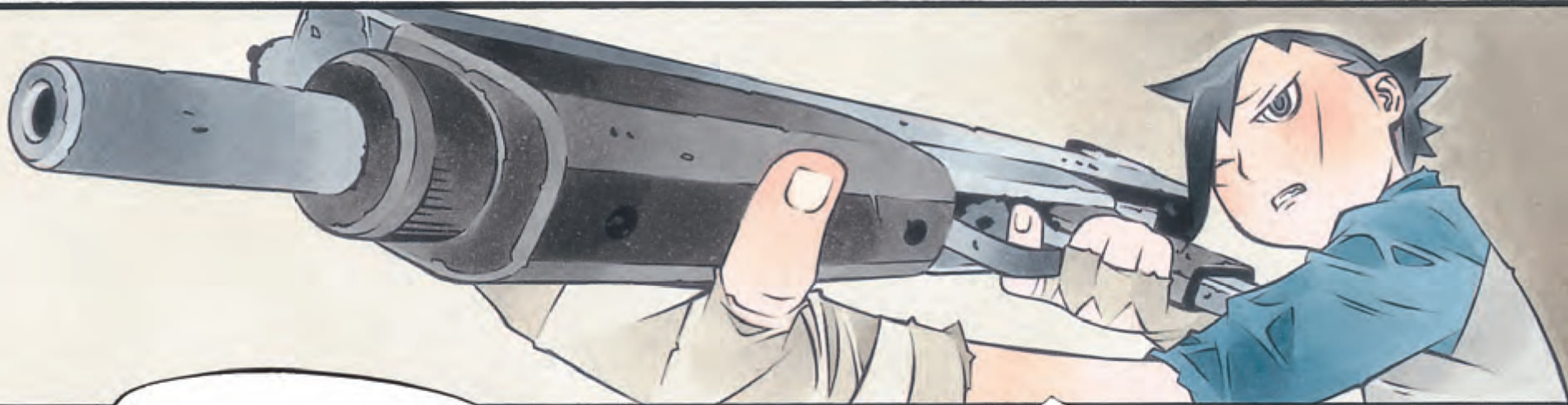
It's me, Kumiko!
Don't make any noise...



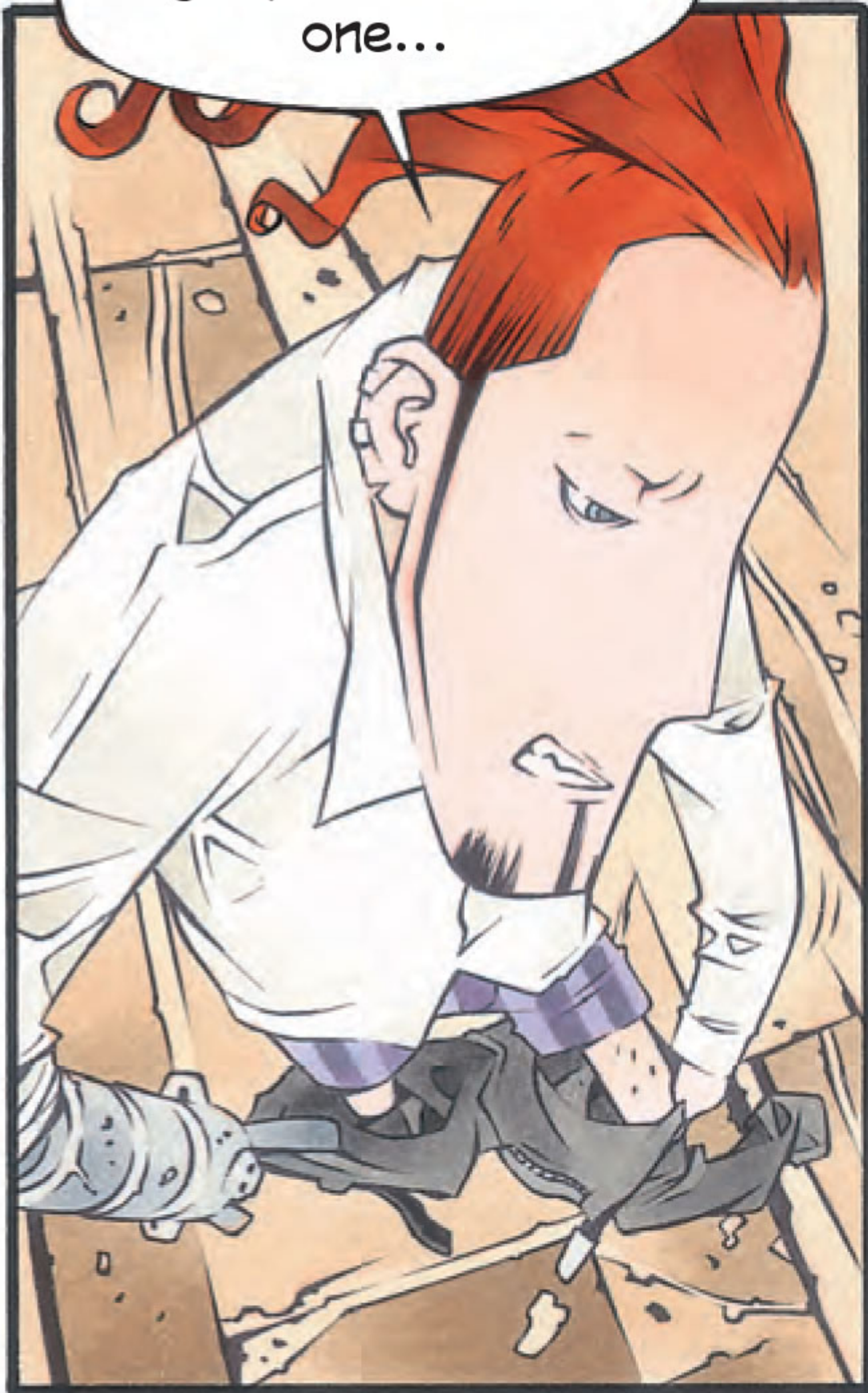
What was that?
Who just screamed?



Was that Chorra?



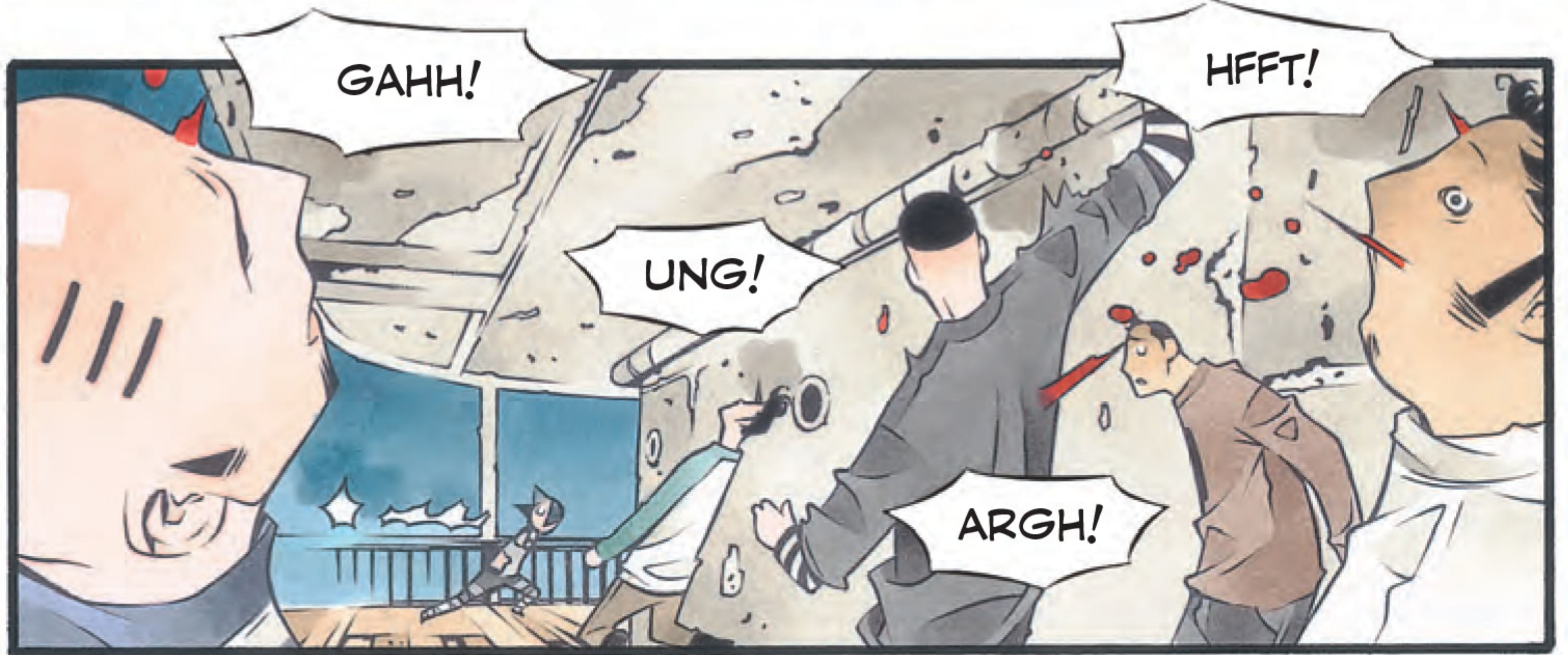
I know a cry of agony when I hear one...



IT'S PIEDRO!



HE'S NOT DEAD!



GAHH!

HFFT!

UNG!

ARGH!



HAR!

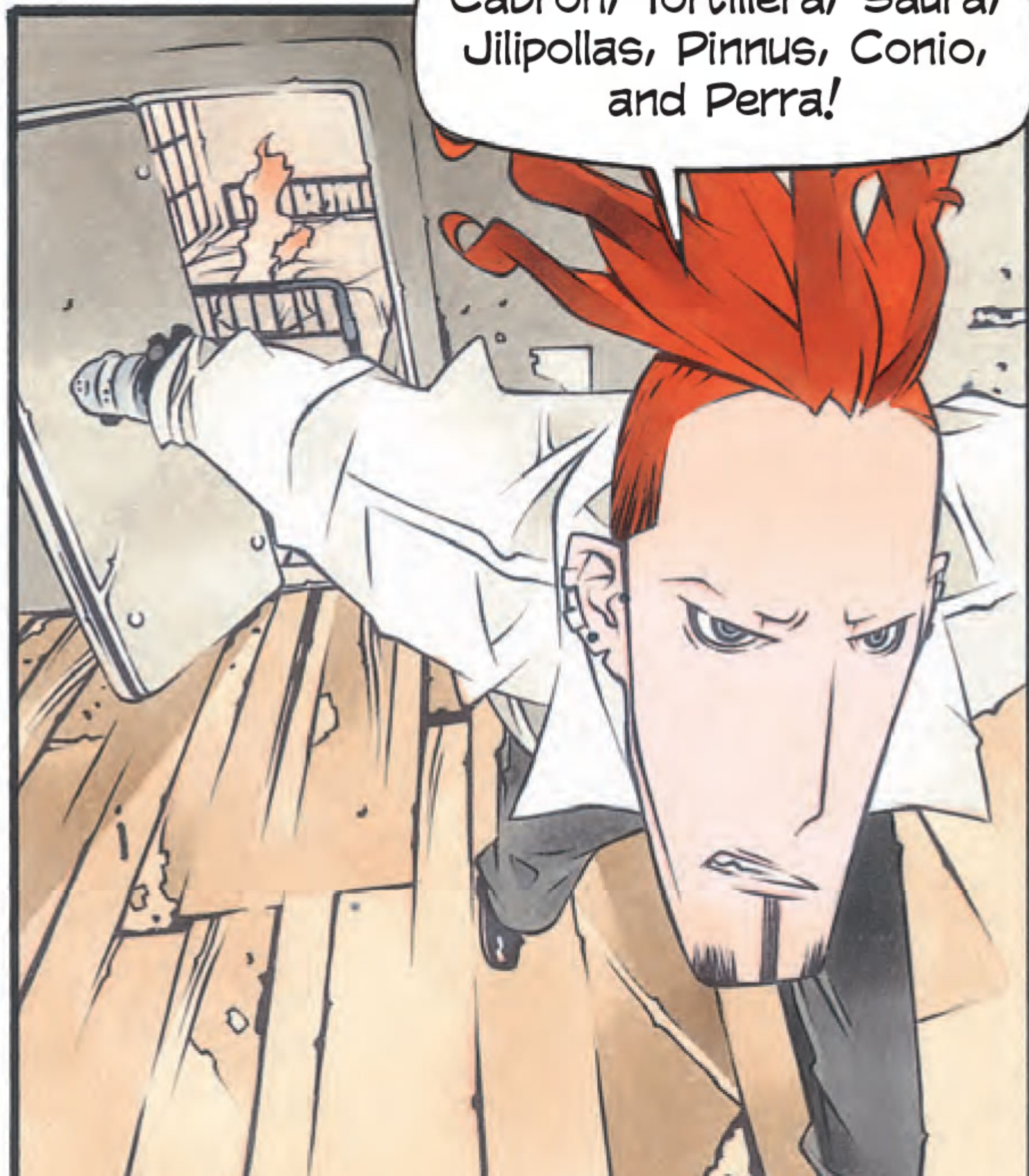
GACK!

AGH!

OOF!

That's Cerdo, Maricon, Tonto, and Perra!

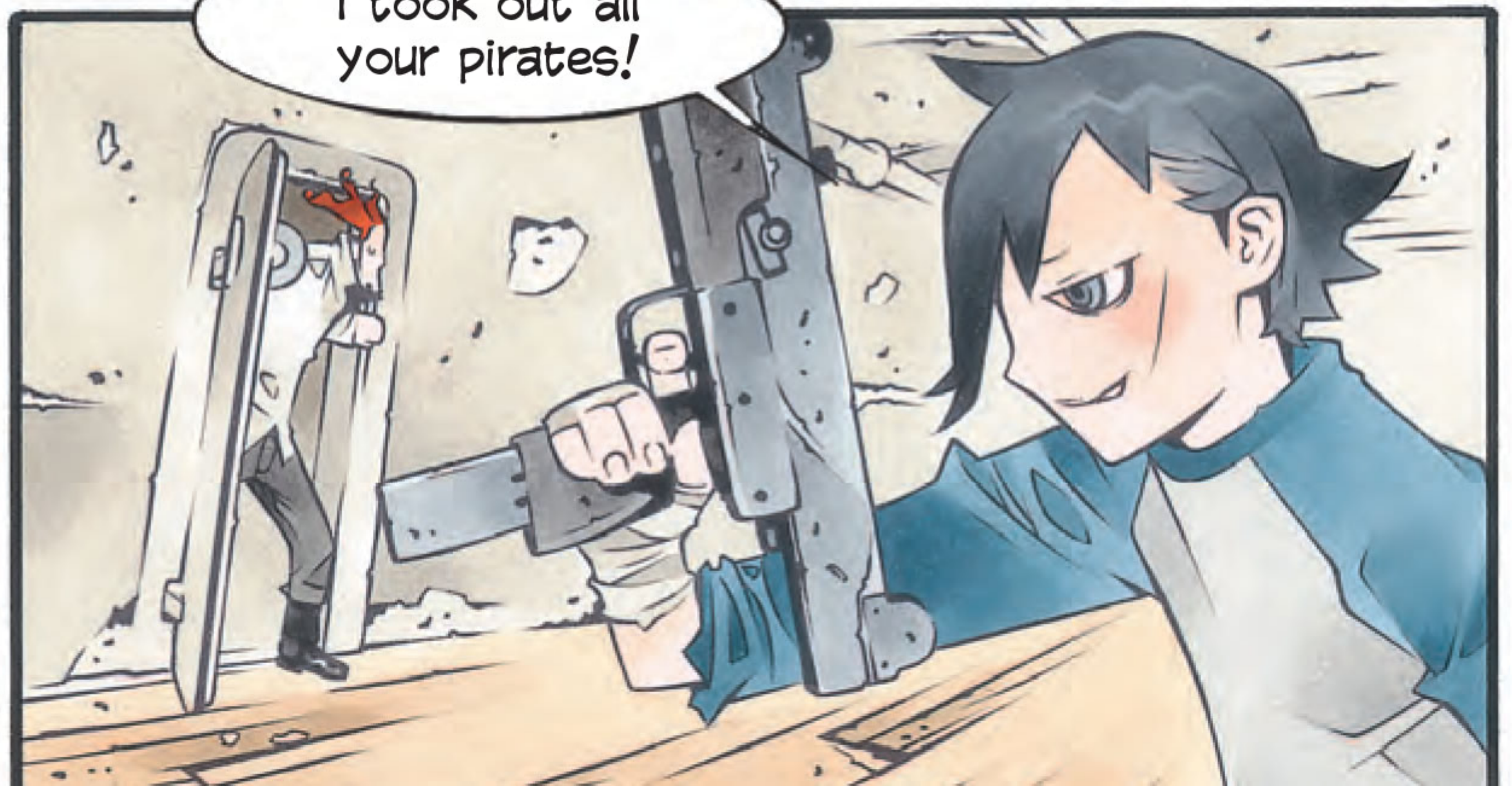
Cabron, Tortillera, Saura, Jilipollas, Pinnus, Conio, and Perra!



Cubarte, Pendejo, and Pichoula!

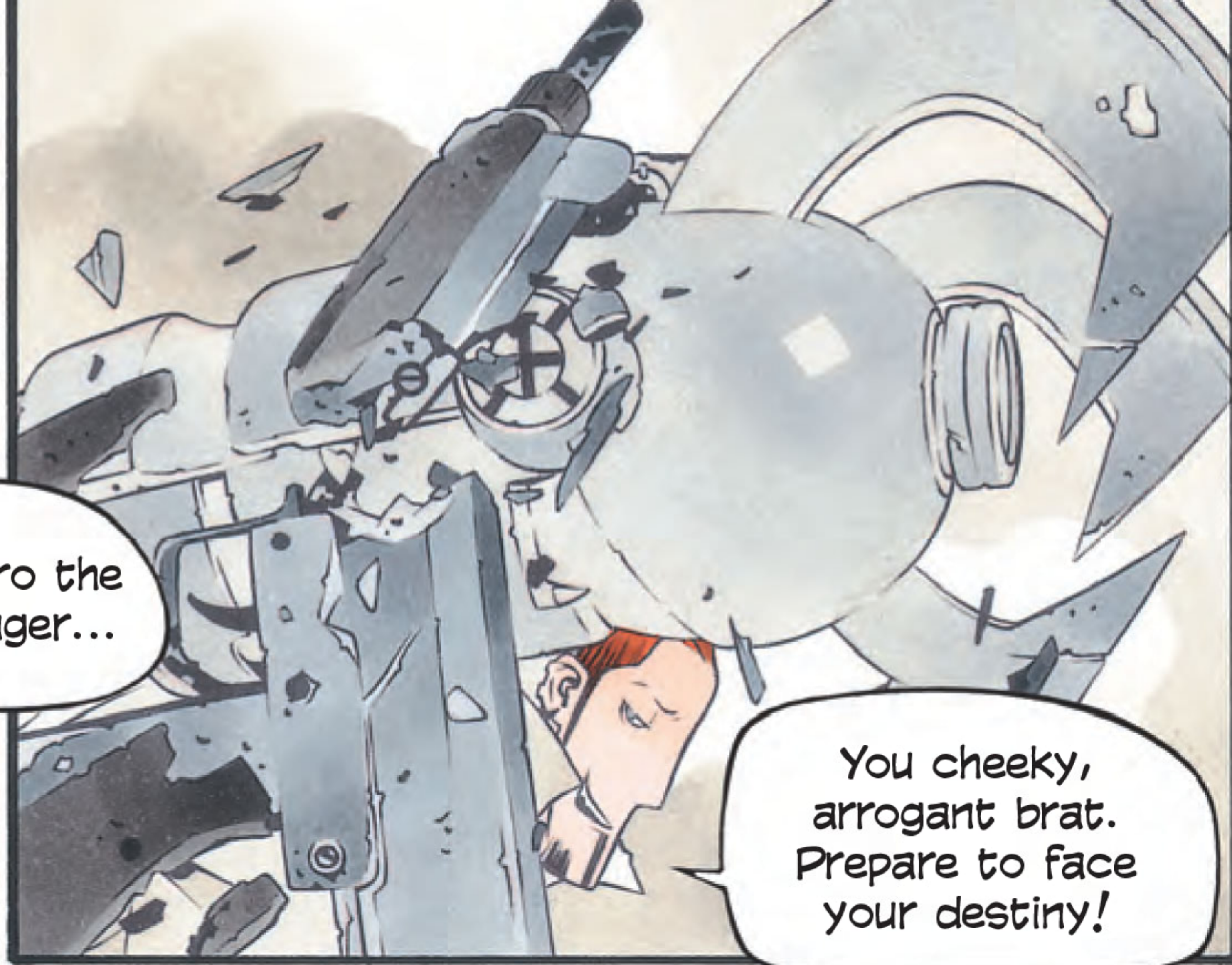


I took out all your pirates!



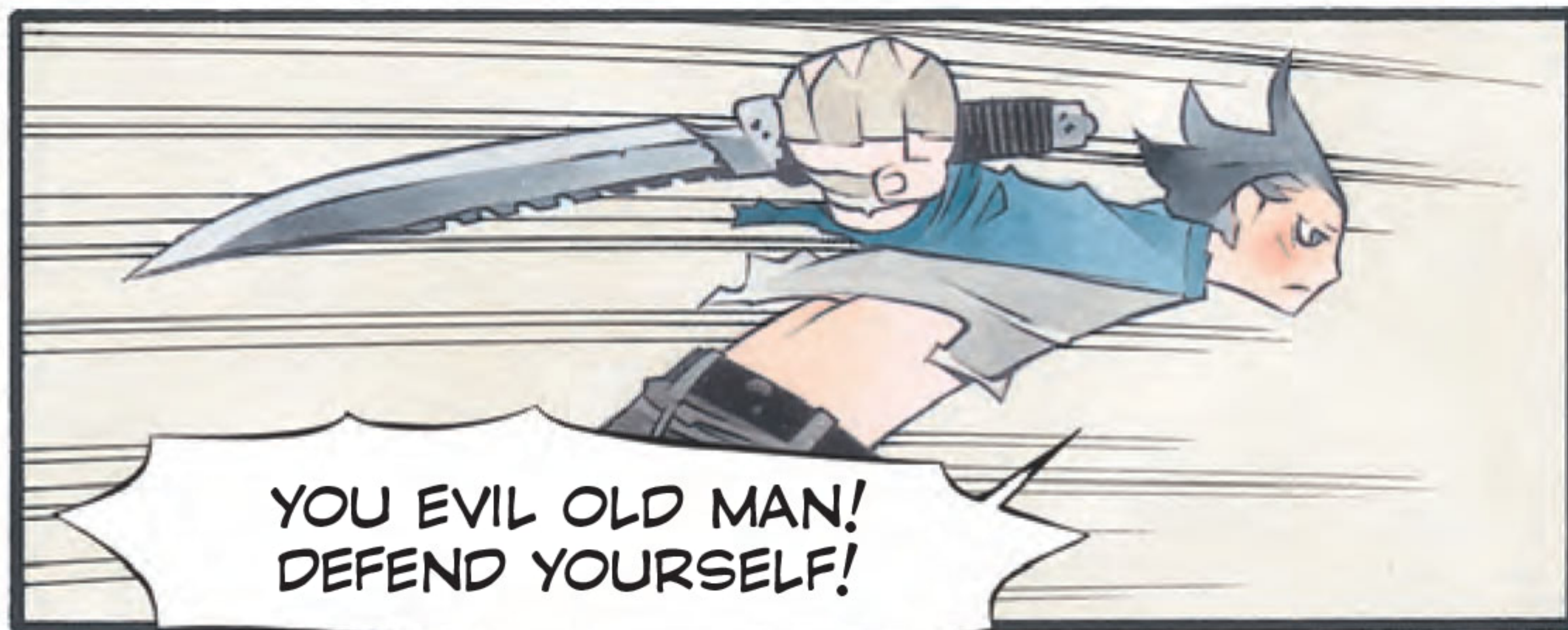


You're all that's left!

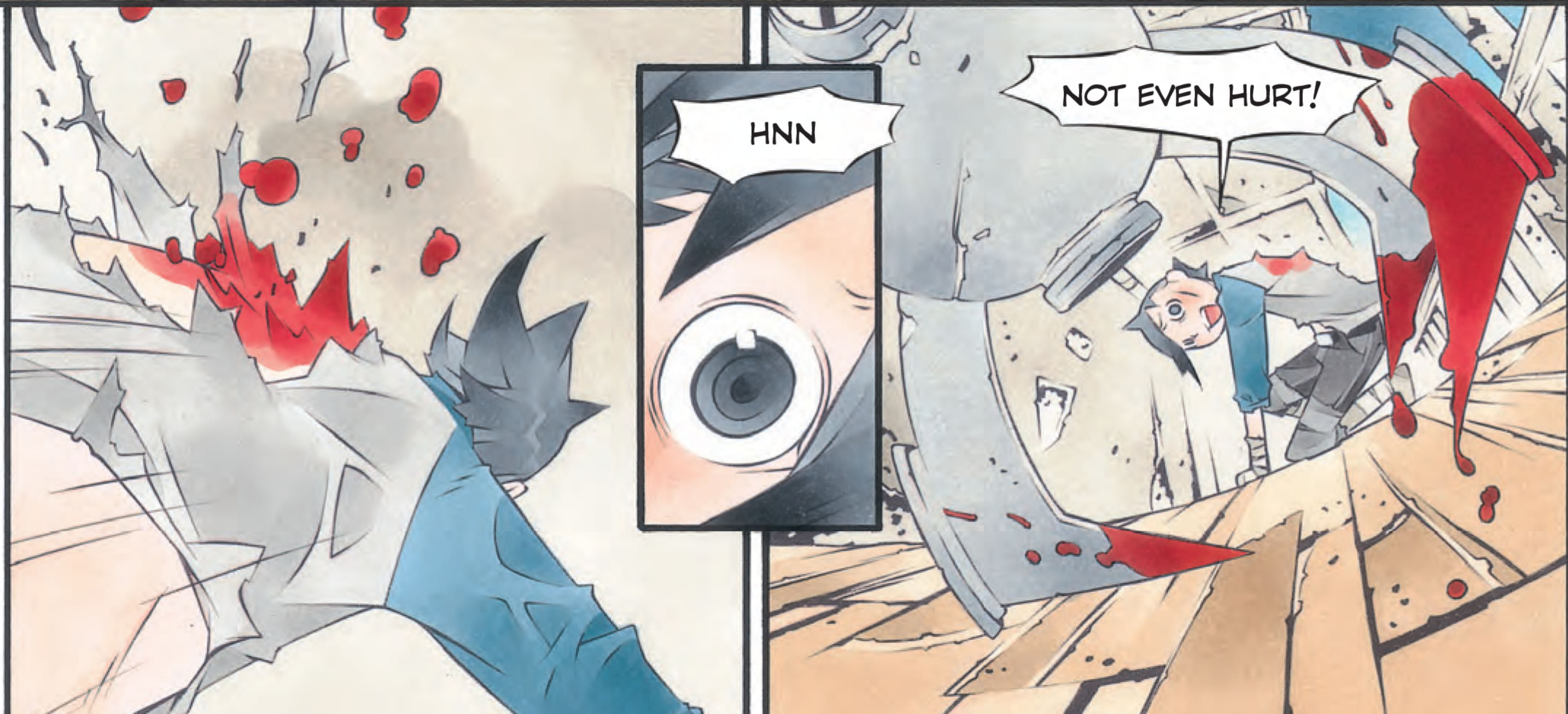
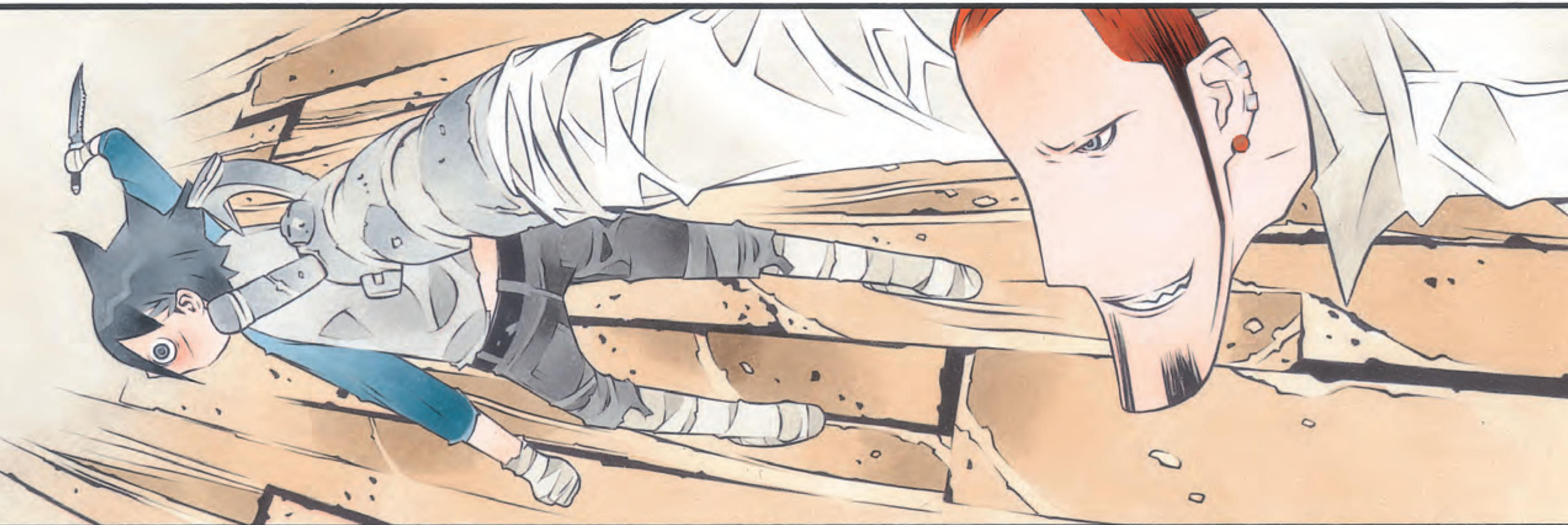


Piedro the Avenger...

You cheeky, arrogant brat. Prepare to face your destiny!

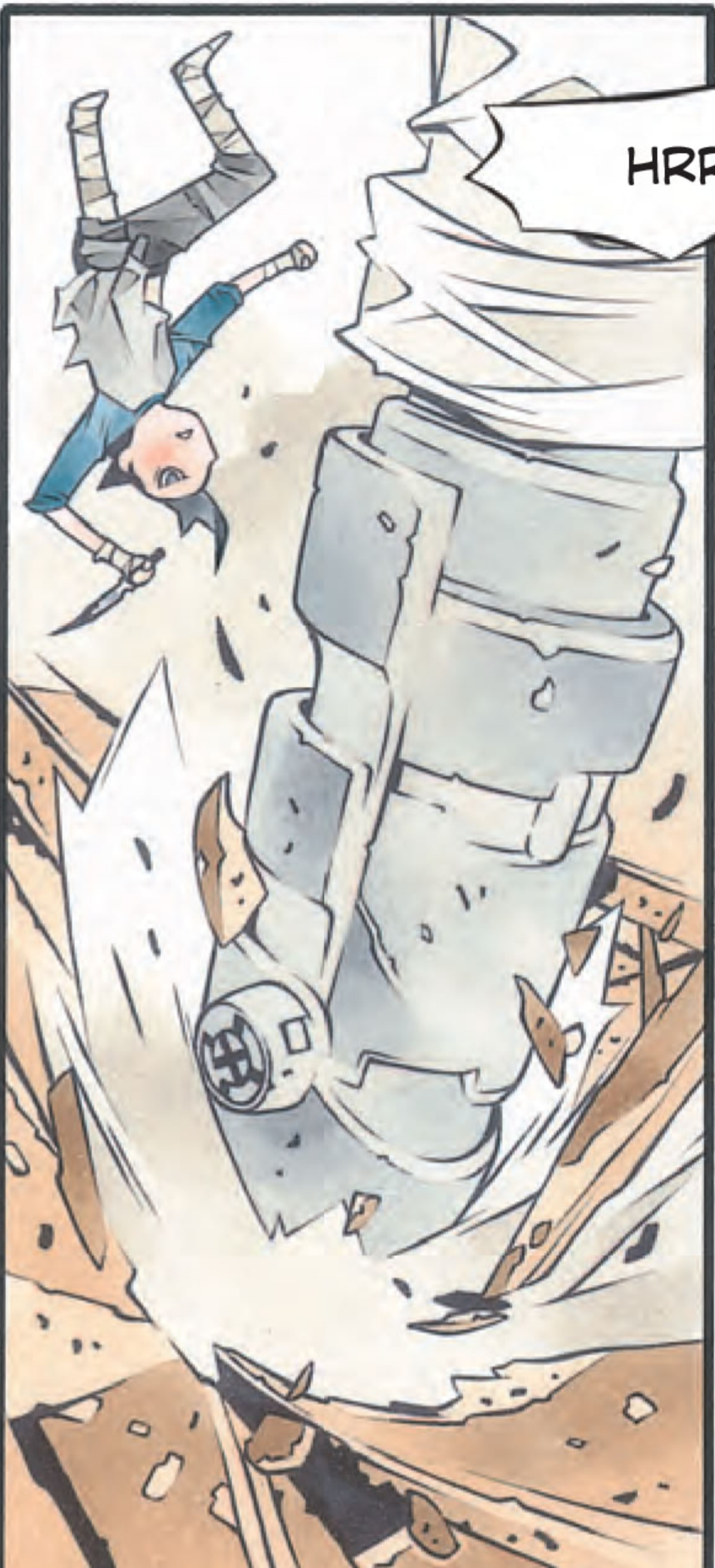
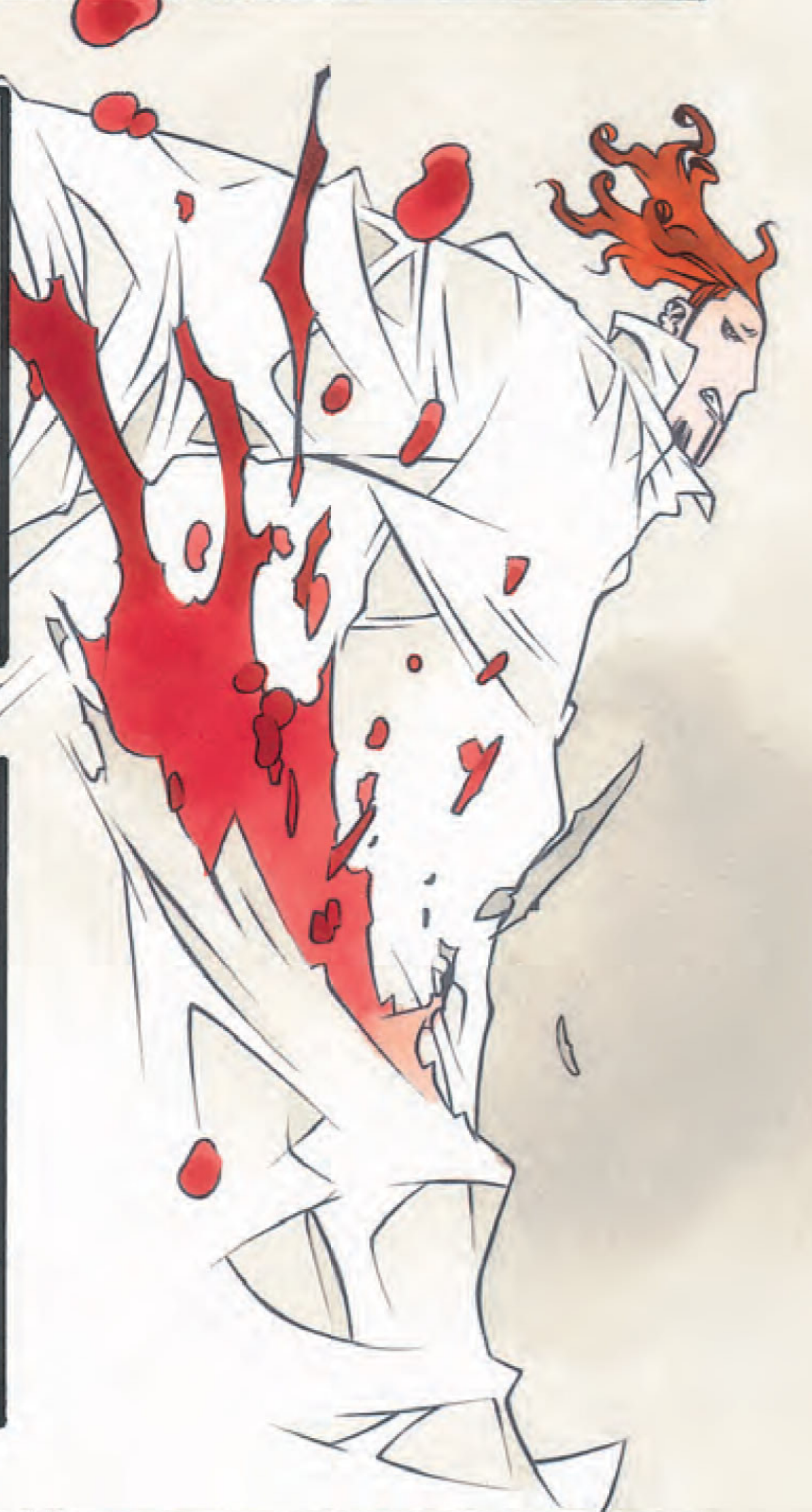
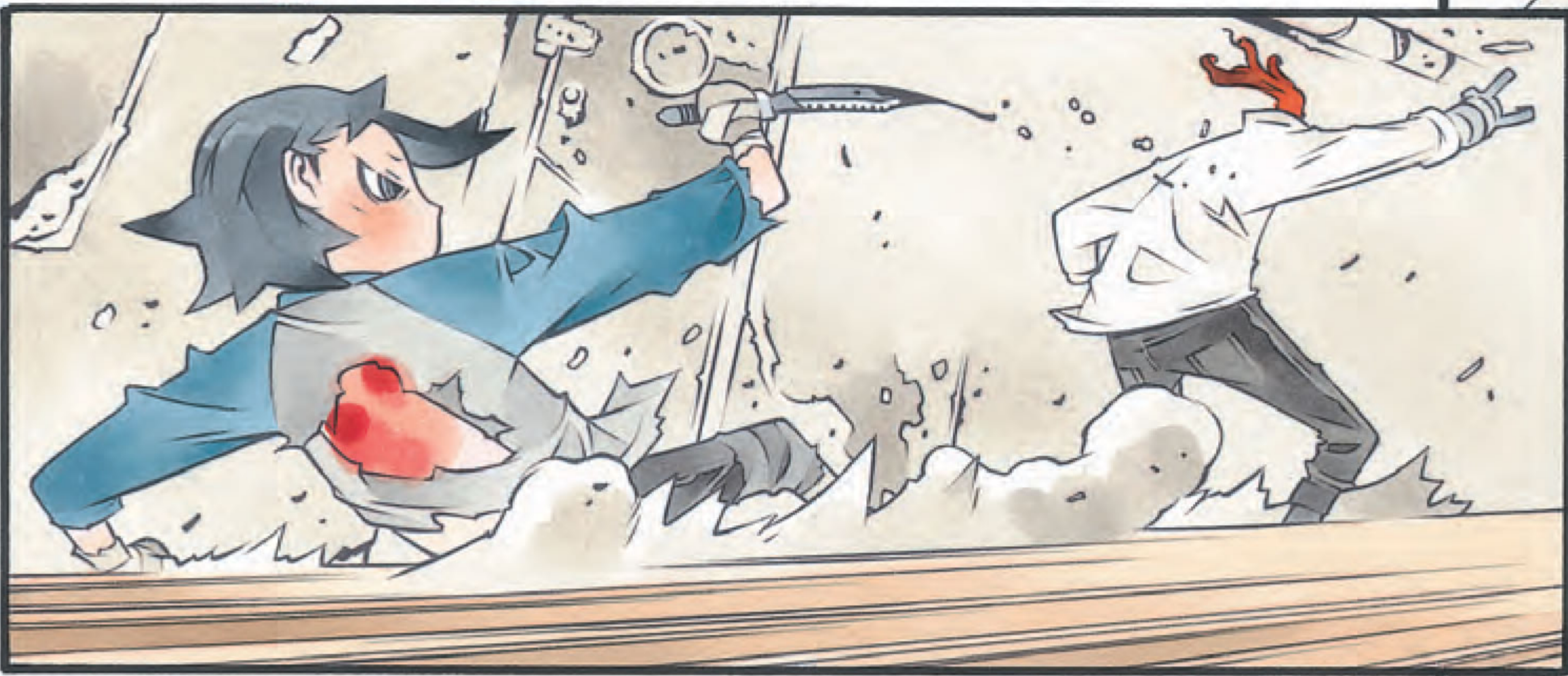
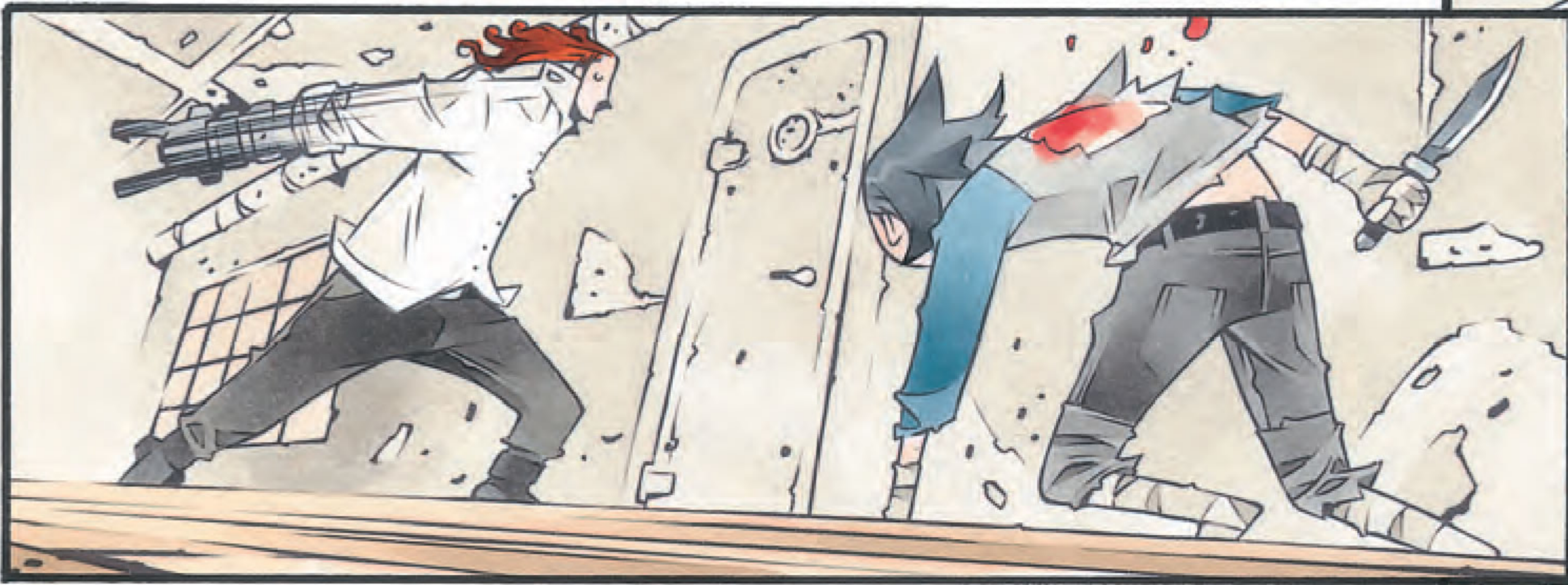
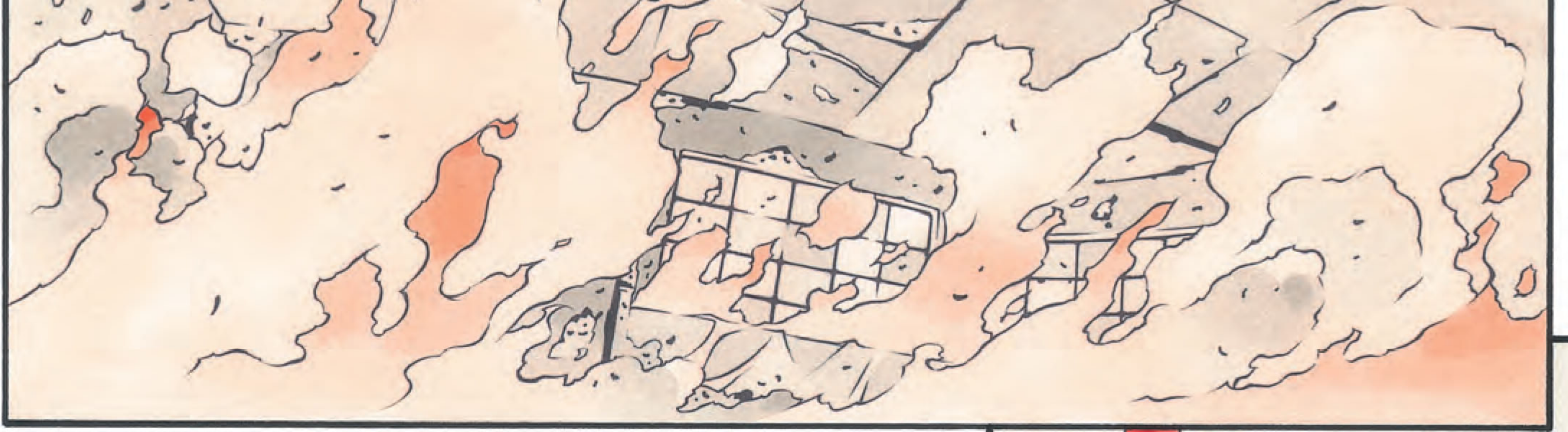


YOU EVIL OLD MAN!
DEFEND YOURSELF!



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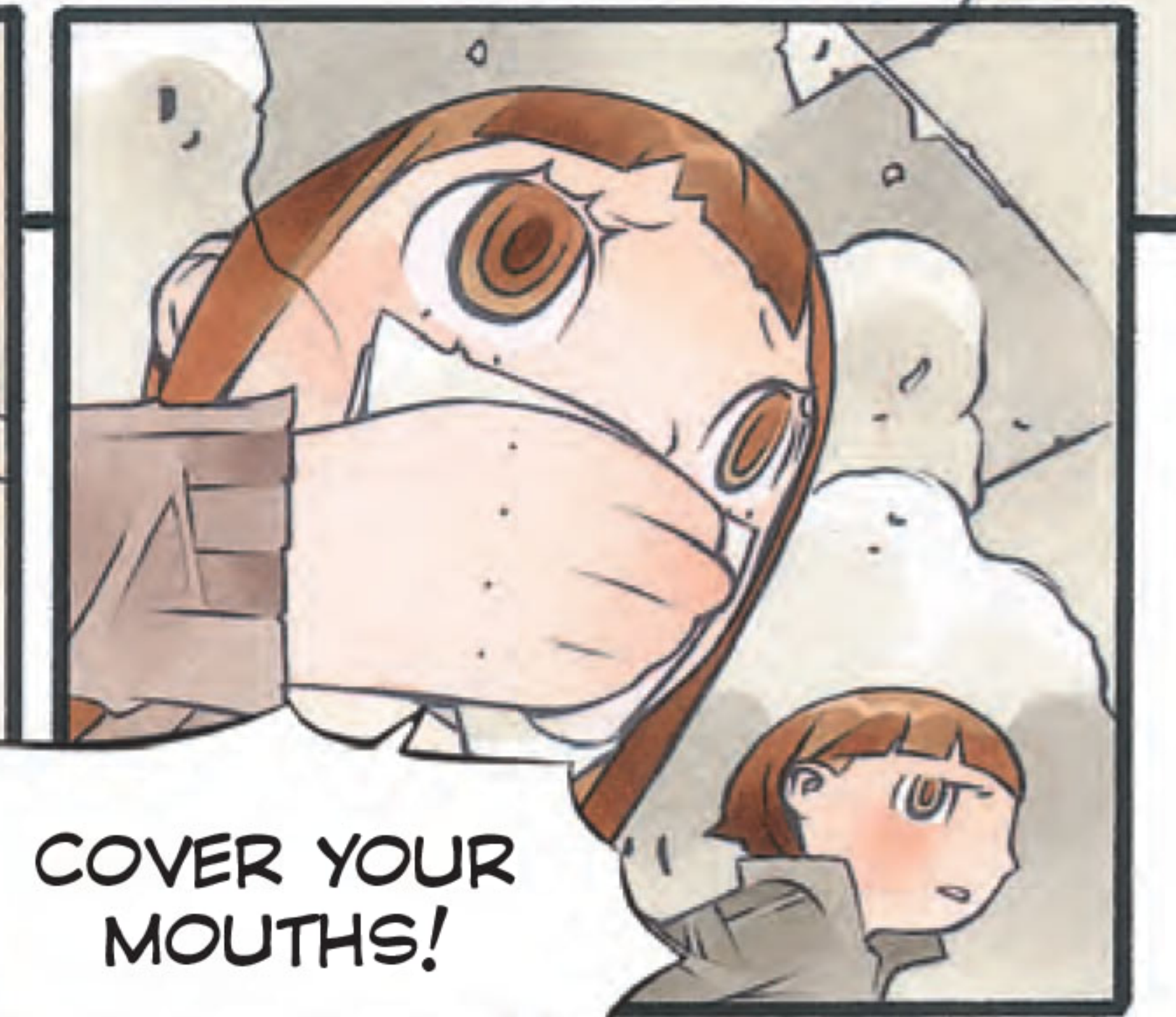
NOT EVEN HURT!



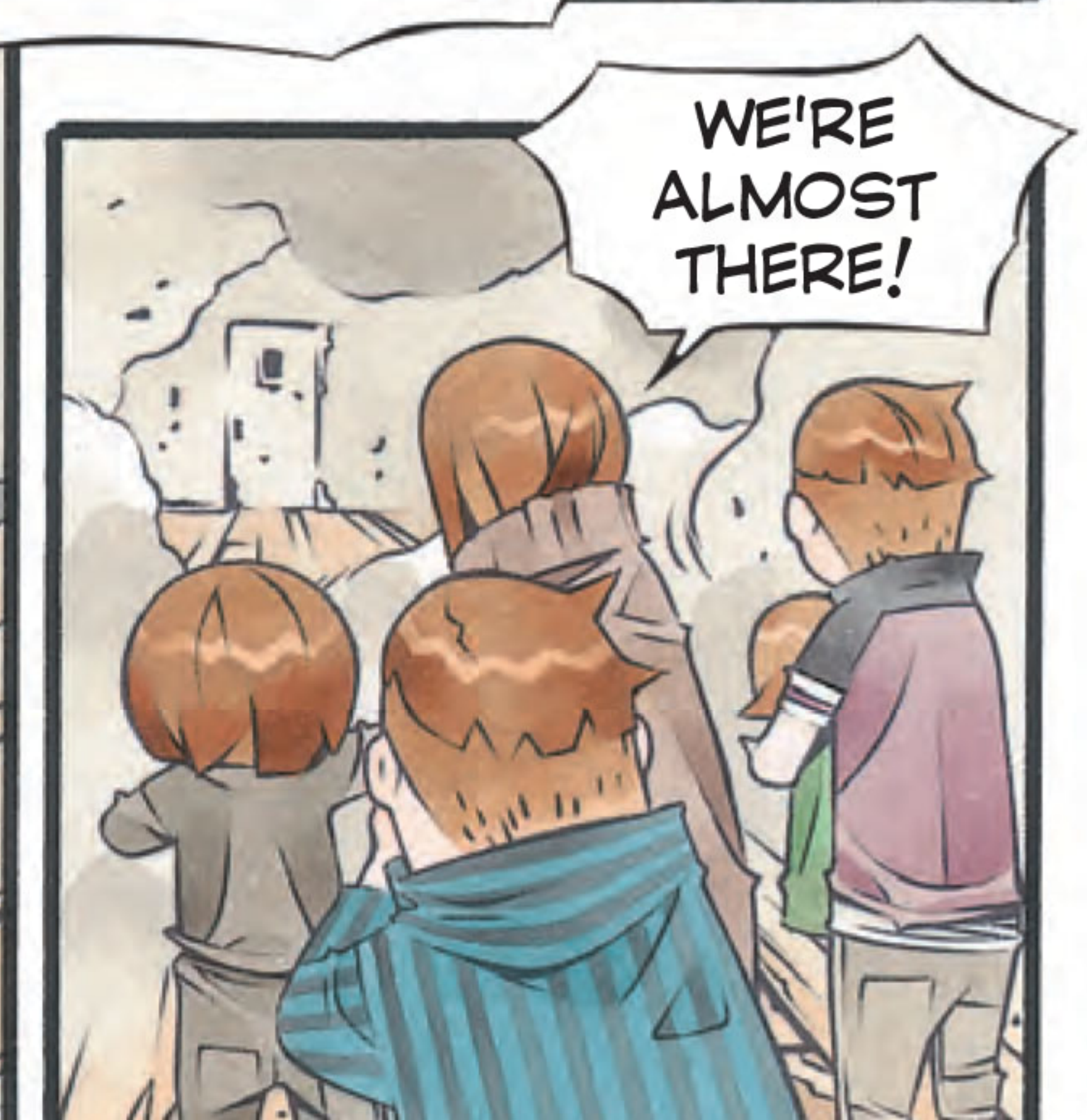
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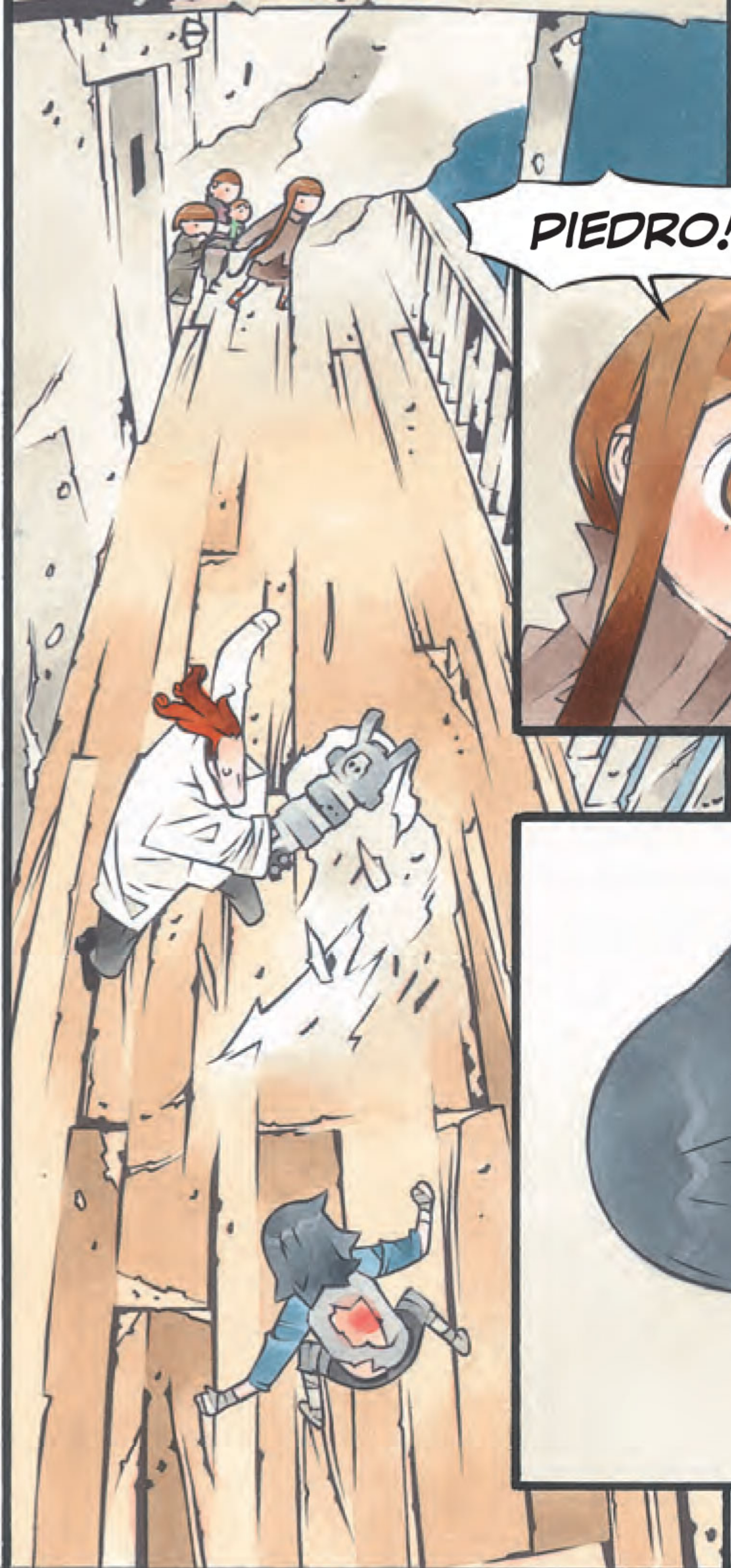
Even score!



COVER YOUR MOUTHS!



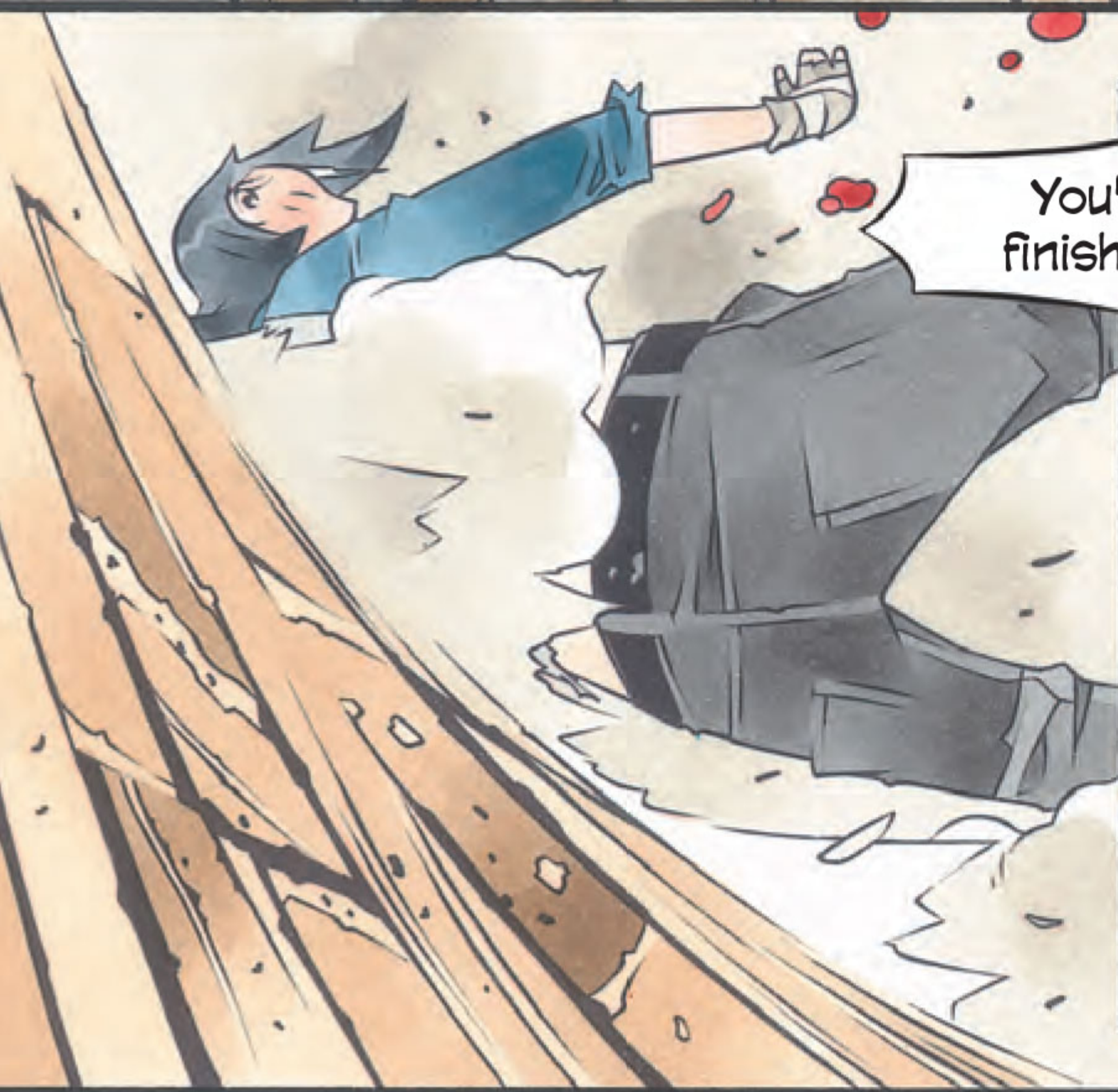
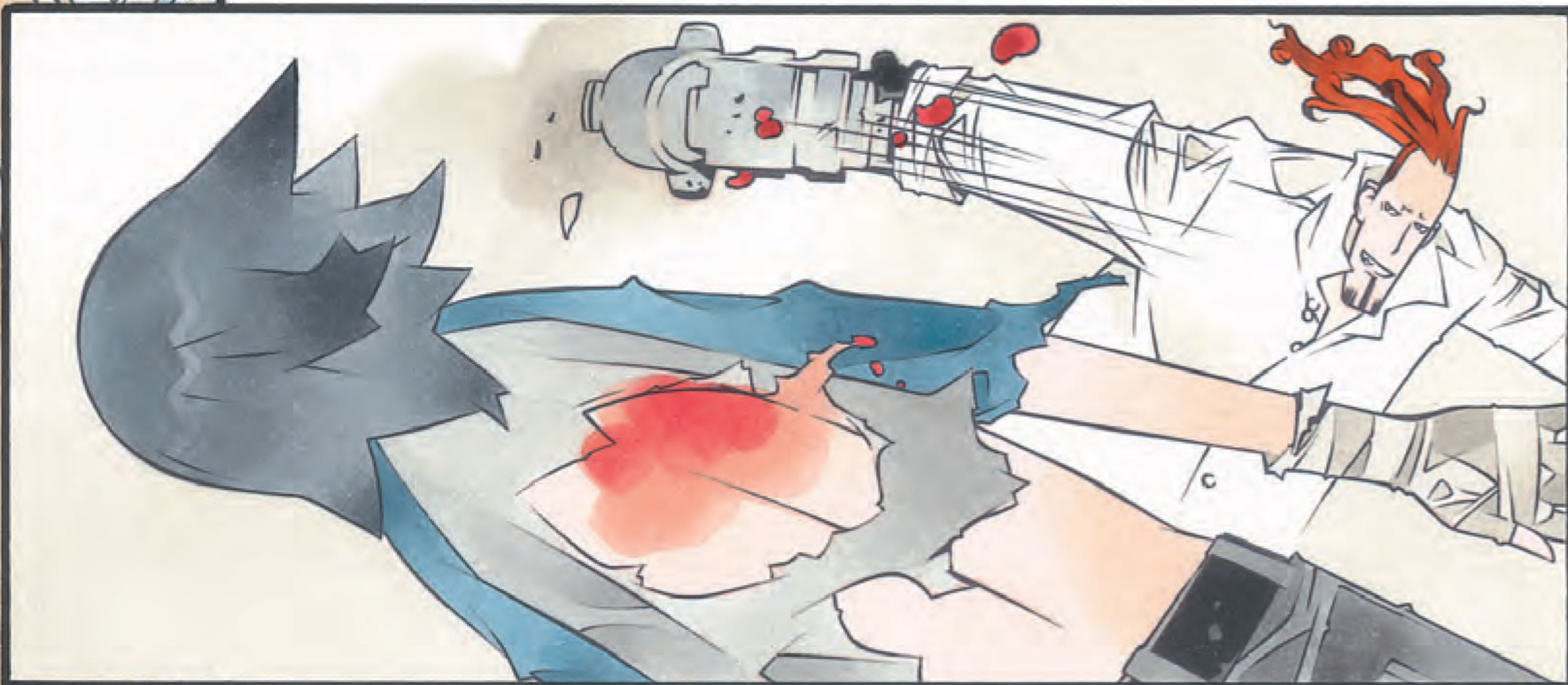
WE'RE ALMOST THERE!



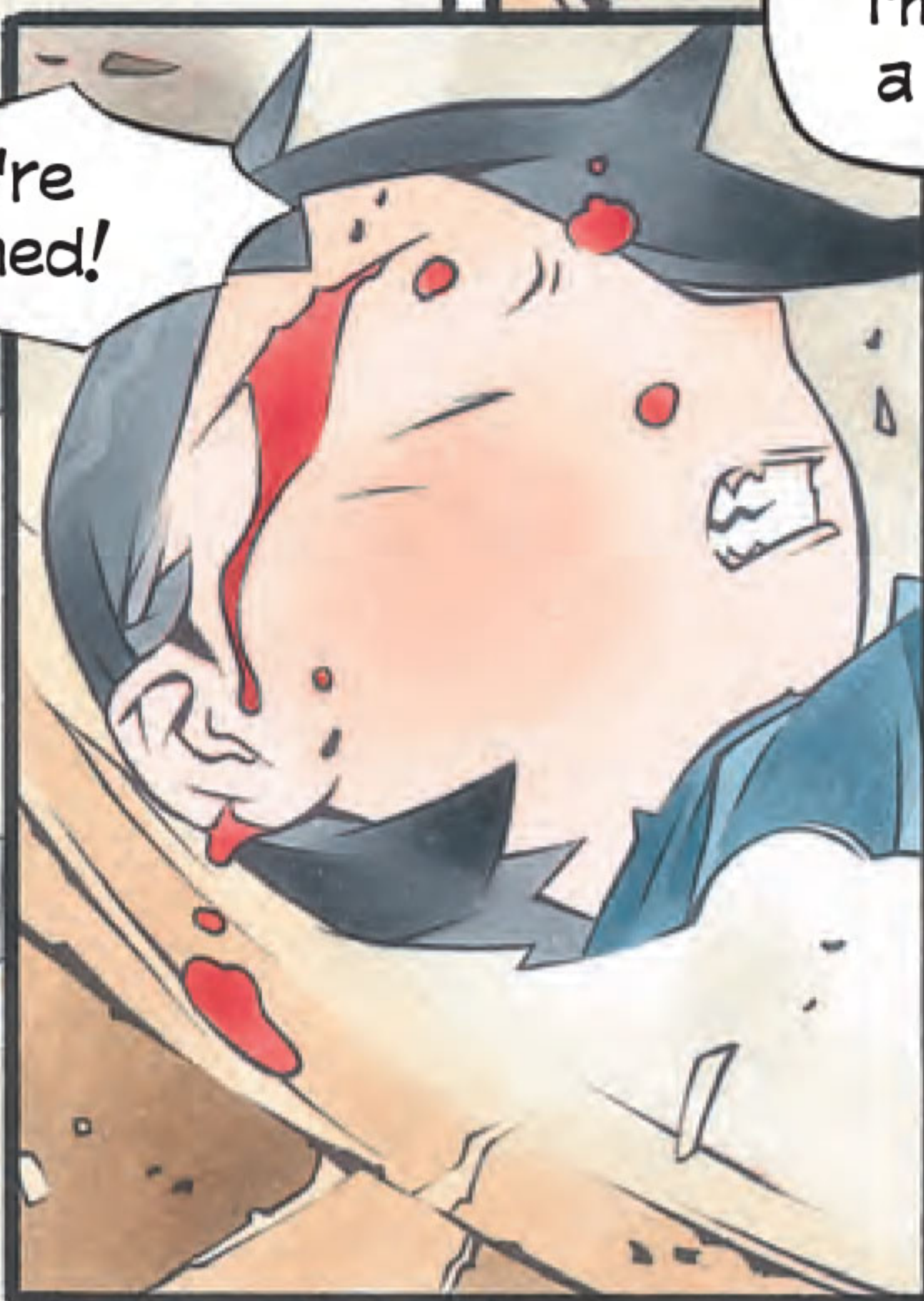
PIEDRO!



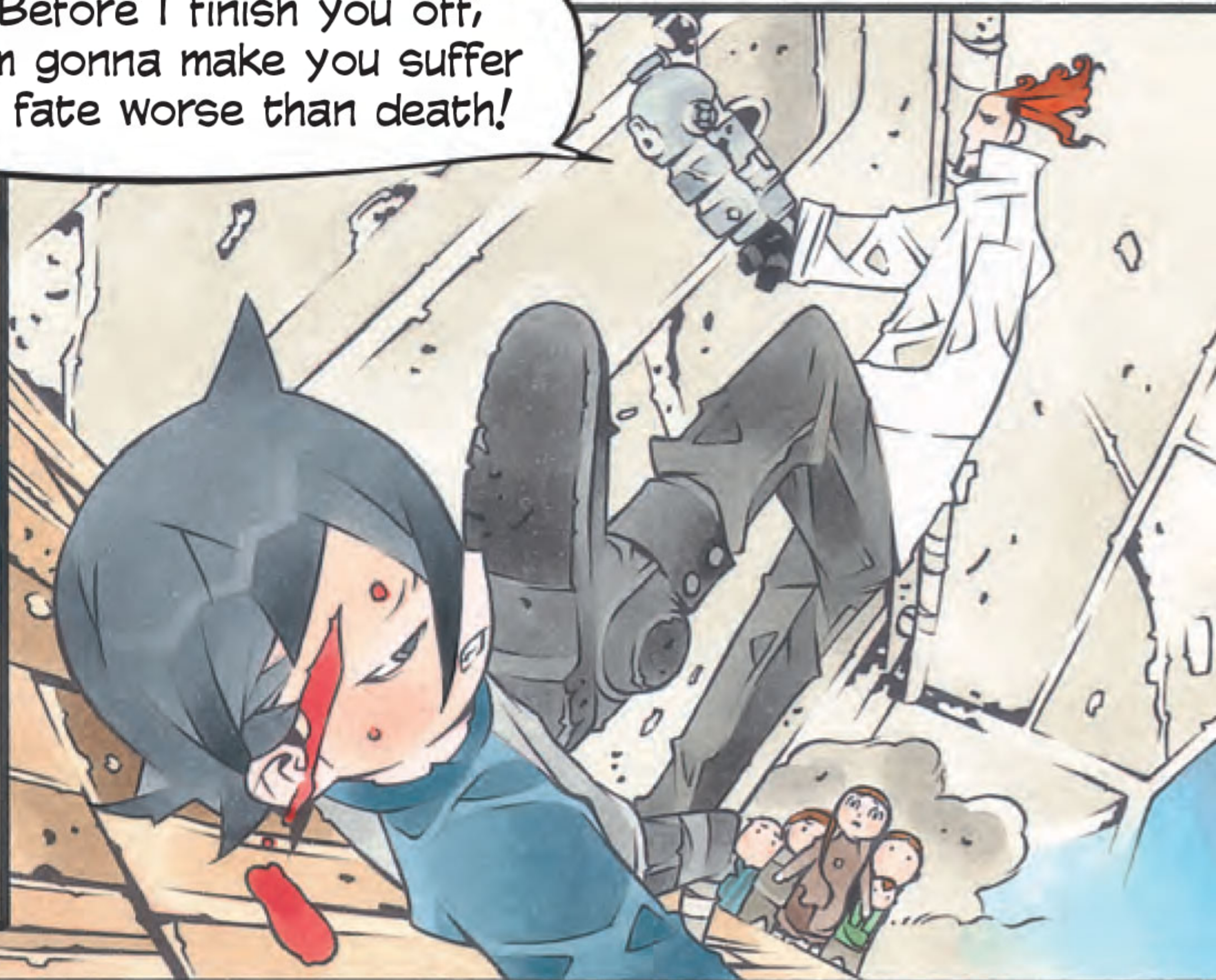
I knew it!



You're finished!



Before I finish you off, I'm gonna make you suffer a fate worse than death!

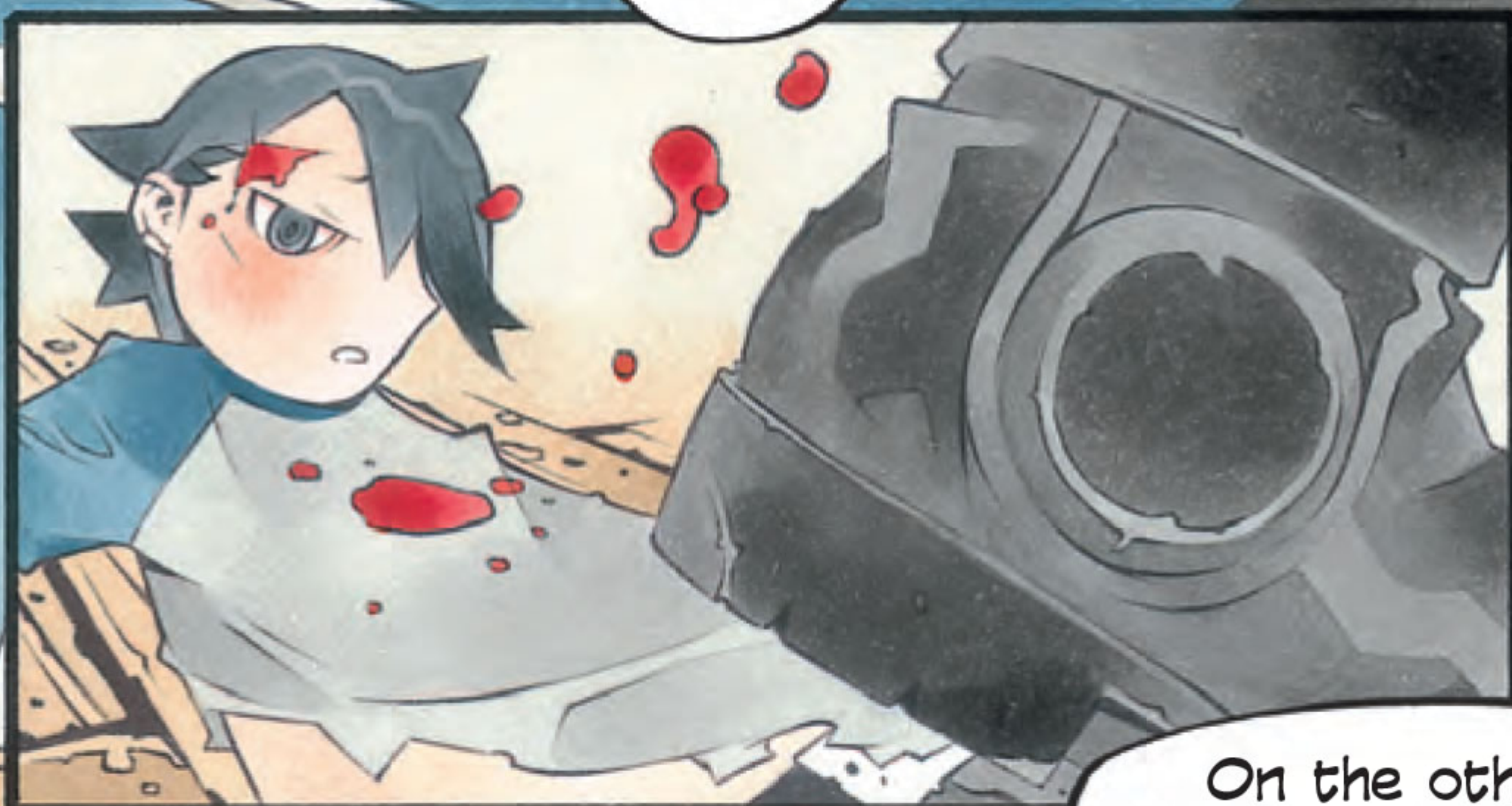


Too bad about the ransom!





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On the other hand,
attempted murder of the
Ambassador's kids...

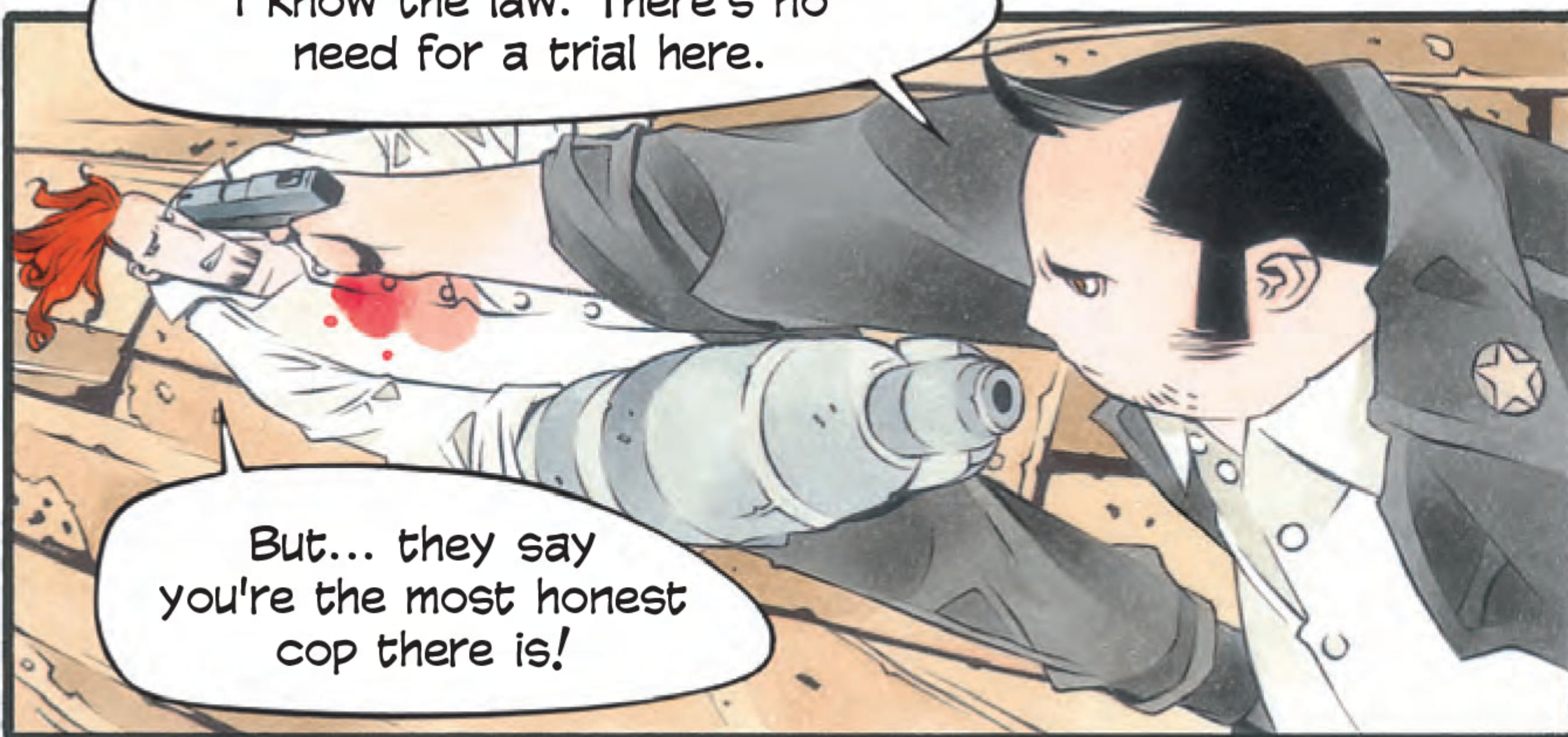
...the law's
pretty clear.

Y-you won't
kill me in cold
blood...



I know the law. There's no
need for a trial here.

But... they say
you're the most honest
cop there is!

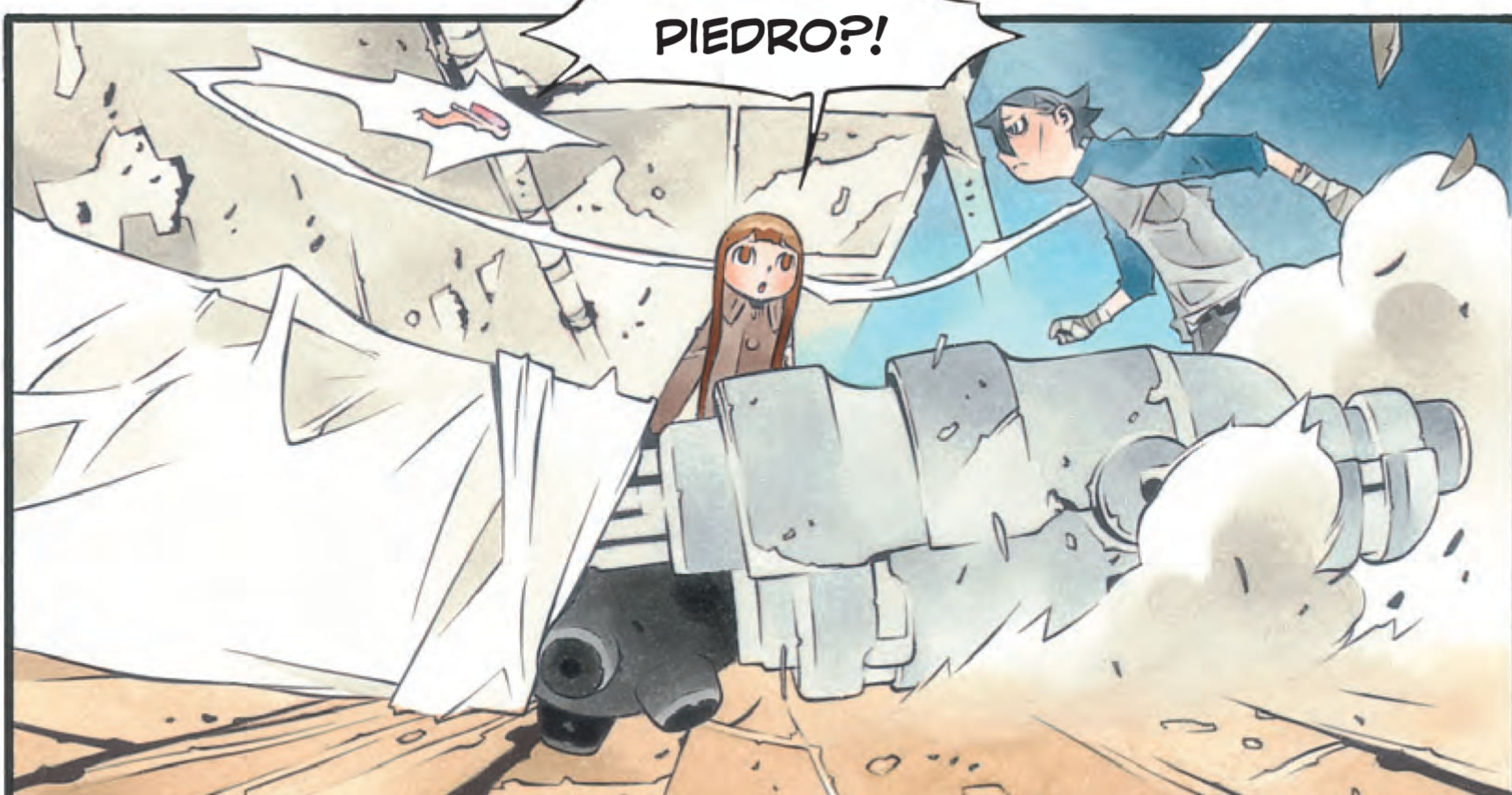


"They're" stupid.

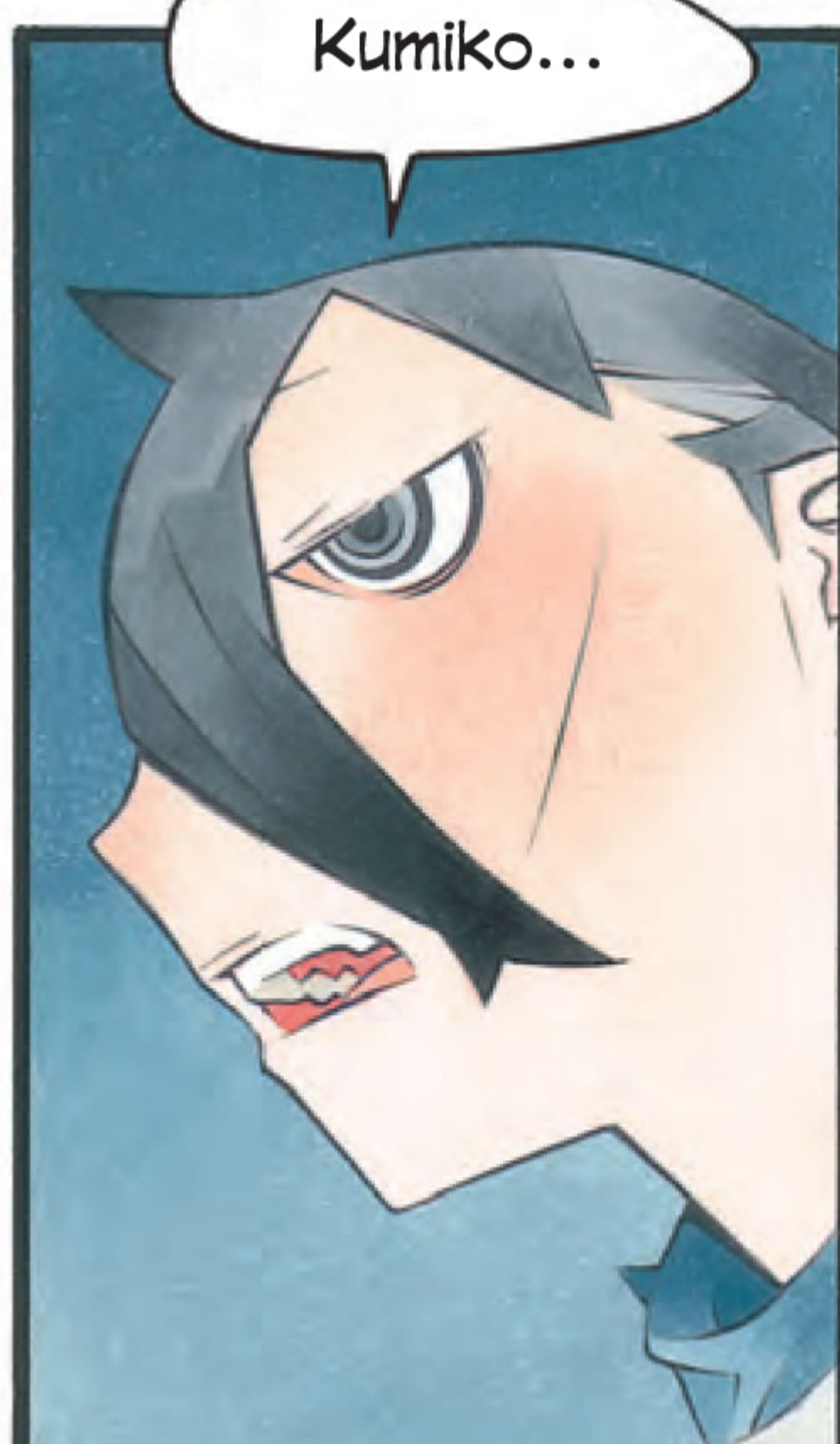
Adios.

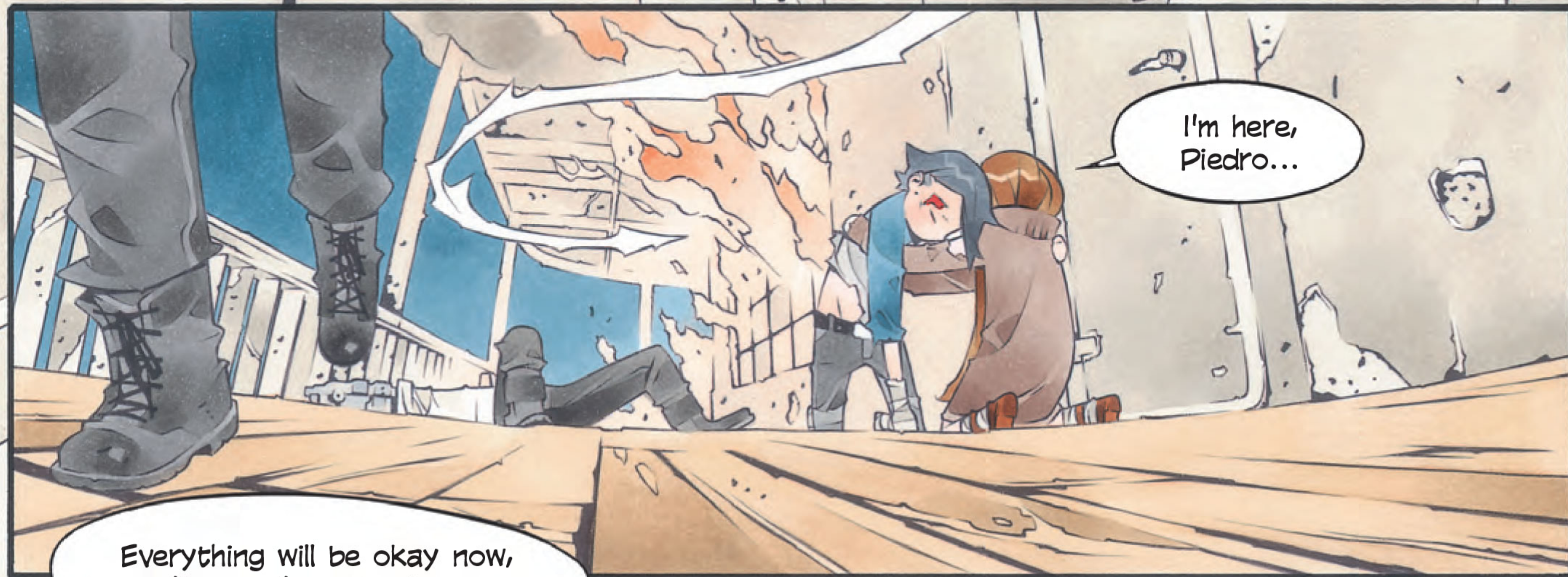


PIEDRO?!



Kumiko...

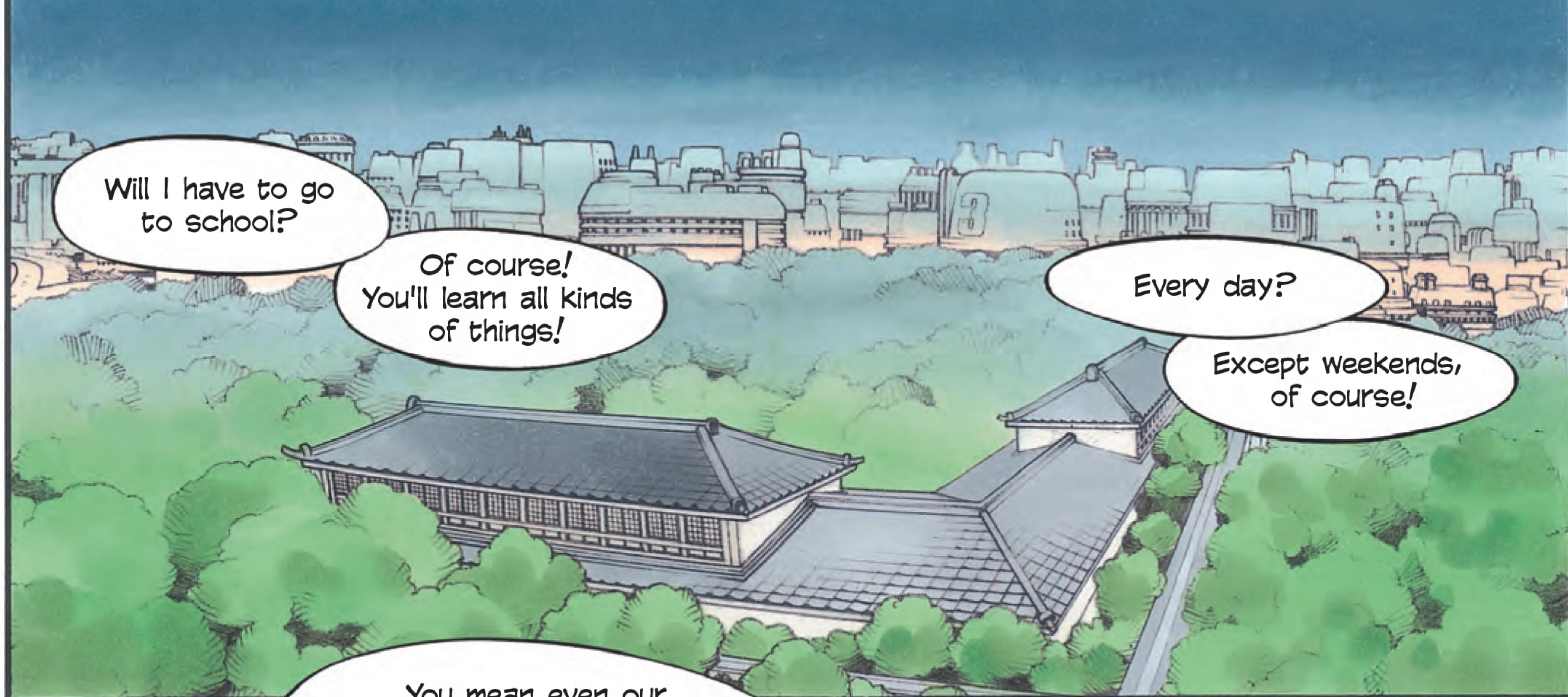




Everything will be okay now,
you'll see. I'm going to take
good care of you...

I'm sure my parents will
agree to adopt you...





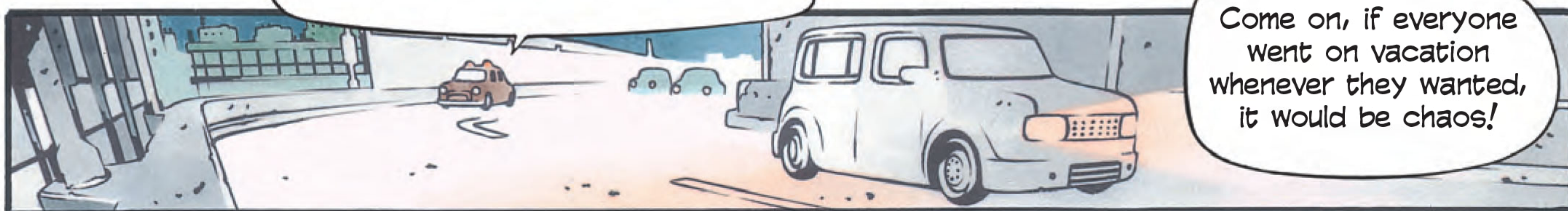
Will I have to go to school?

Of course!
You'll learn all kinds of things!

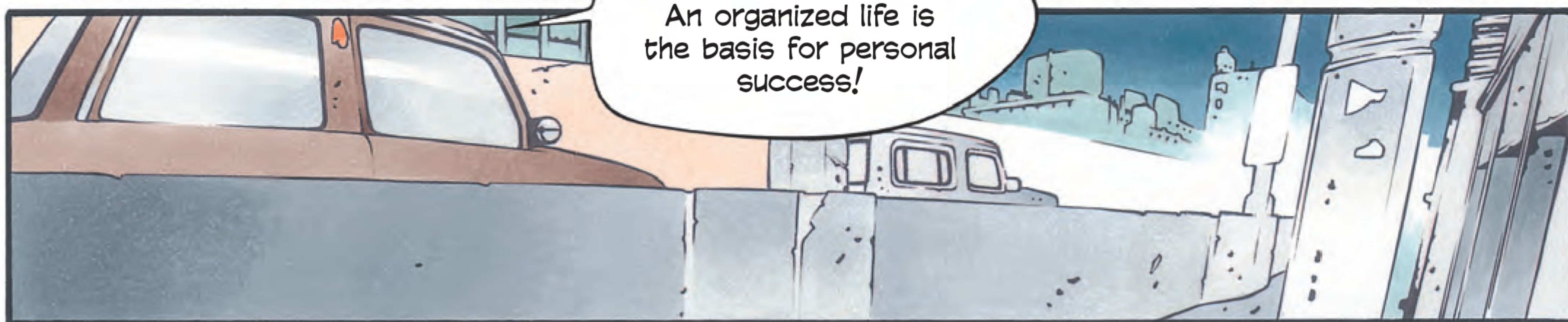
Every day?

Except weekends, of course!

You mean even our free time is planned?



Come on, if everyone went on vacation whenever they wanted, it would be chaos!

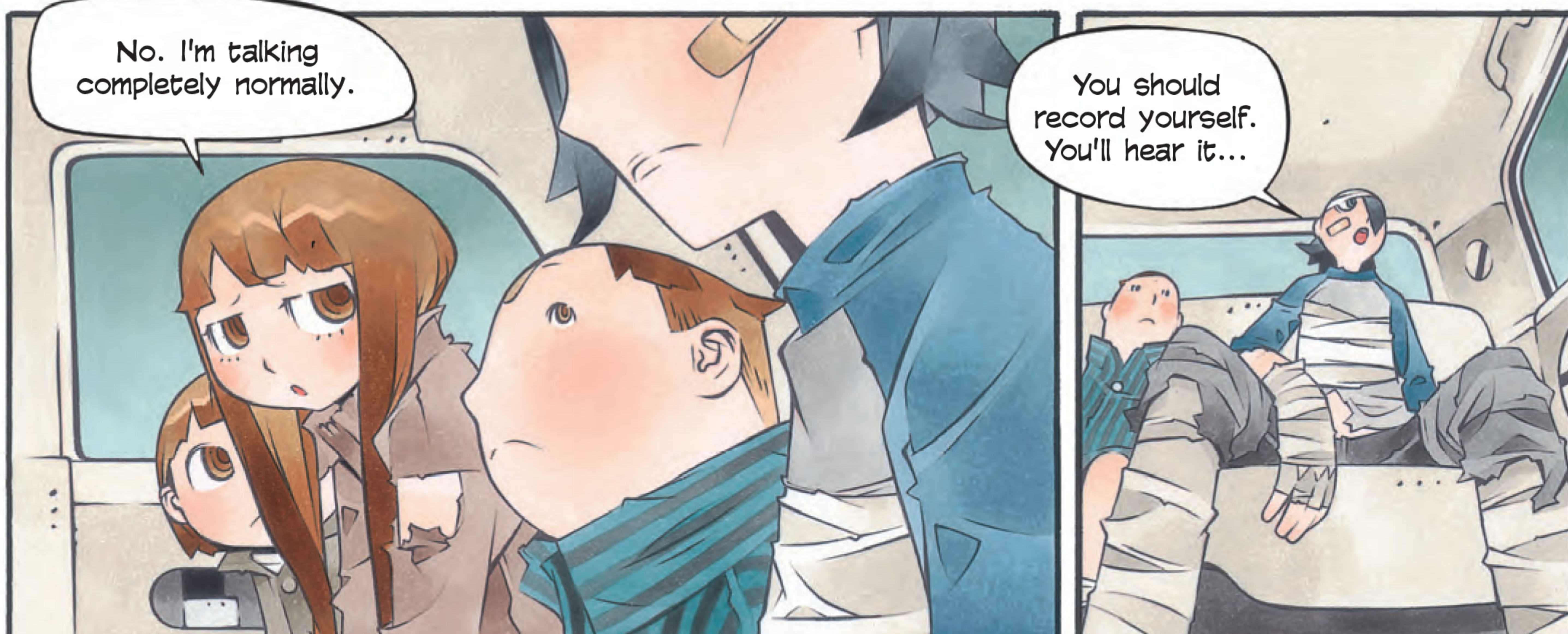


An organized life is the basis for personal success!



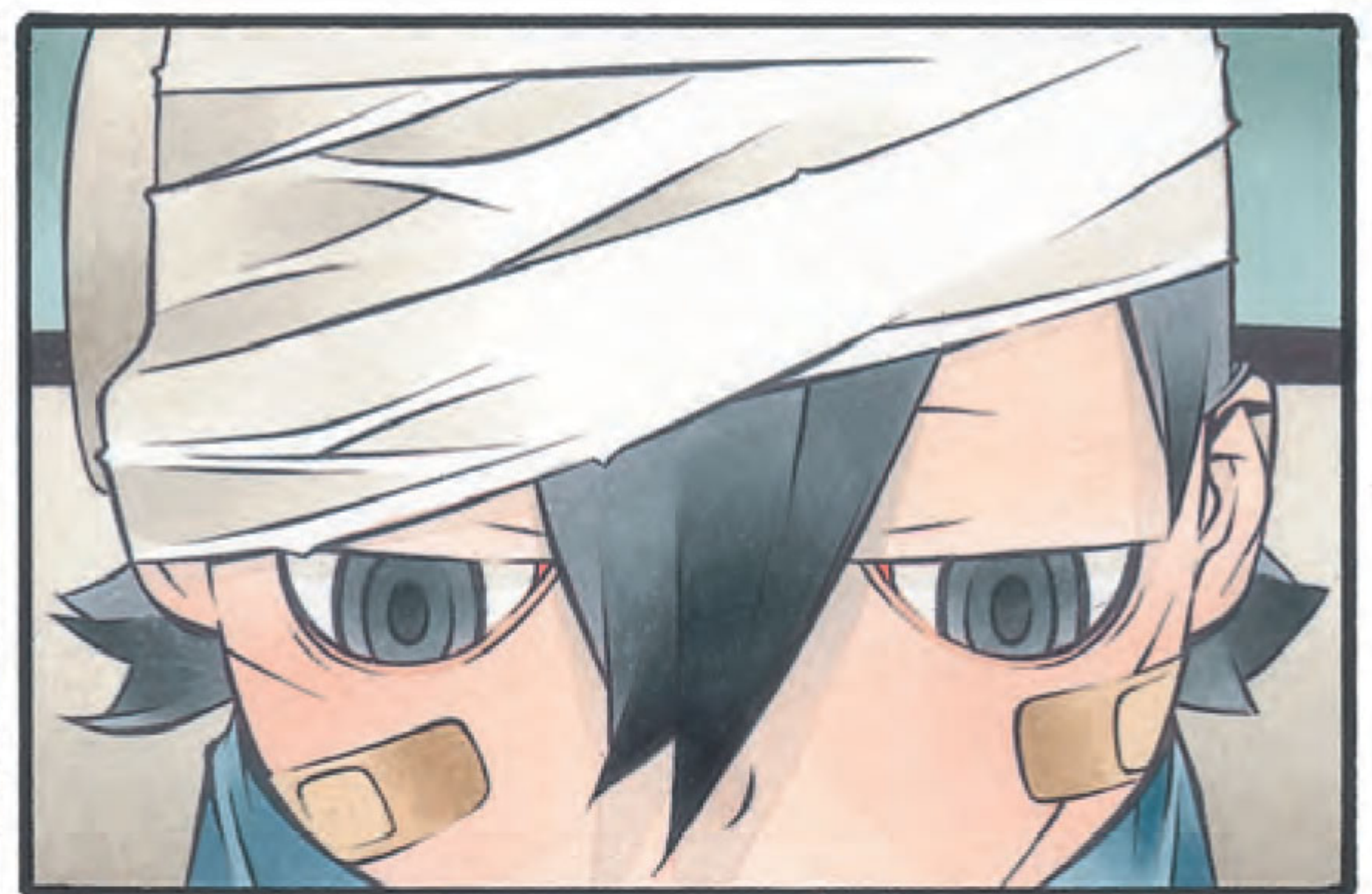
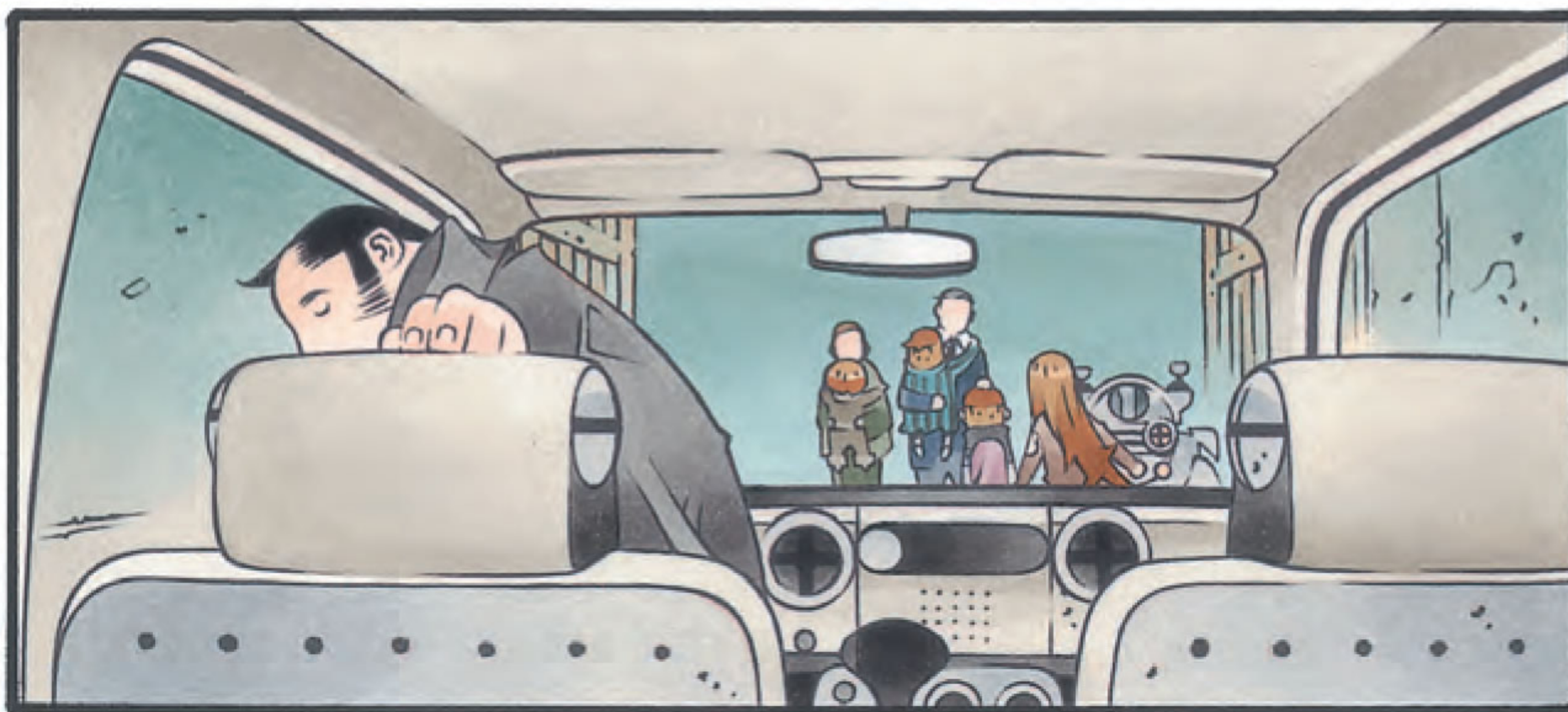
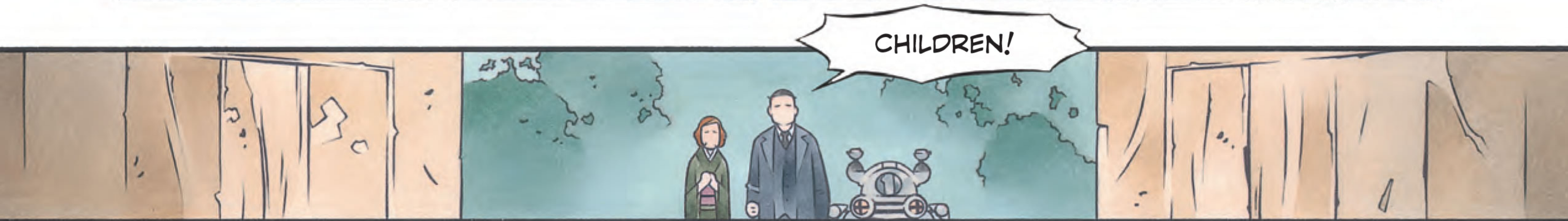
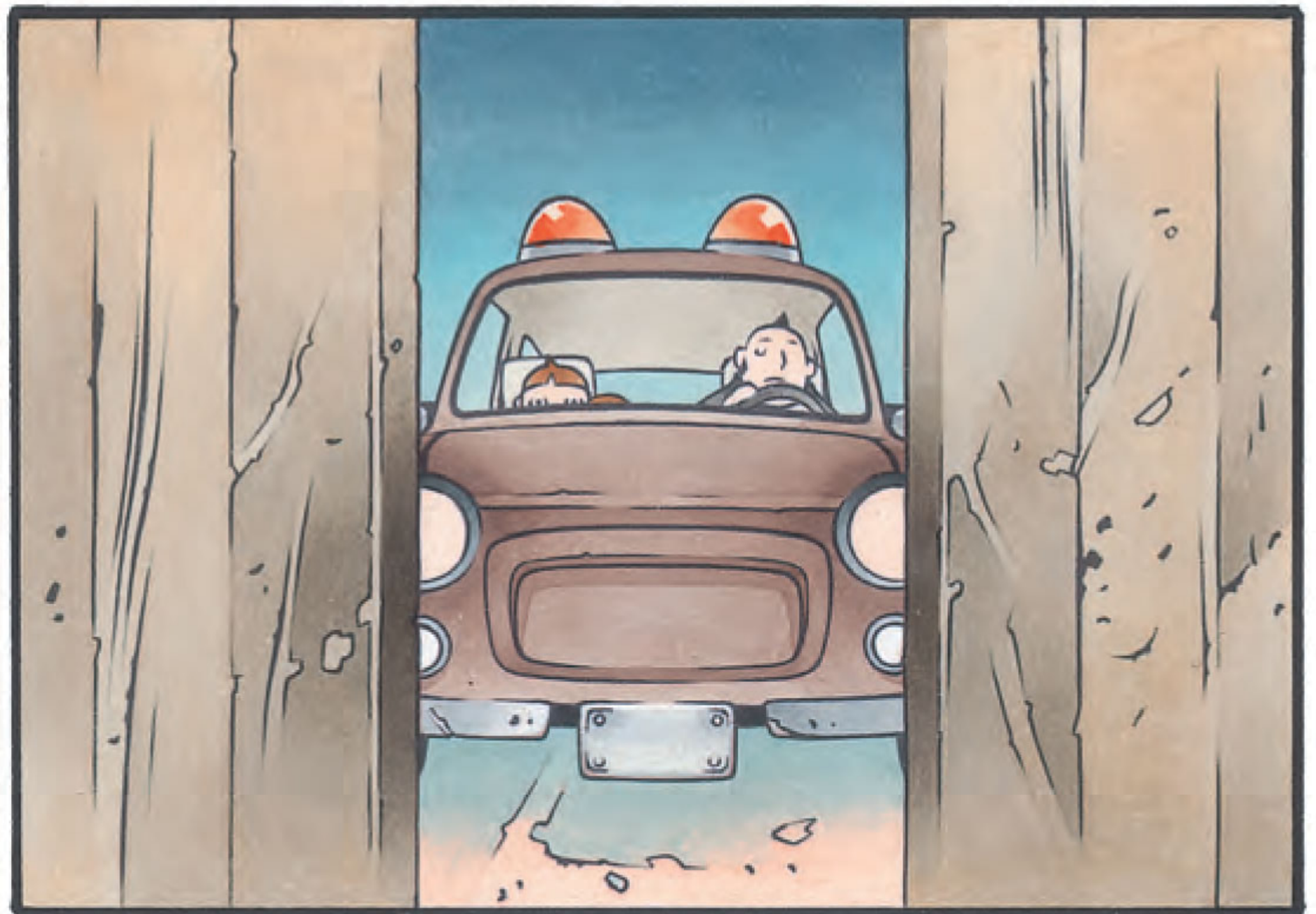
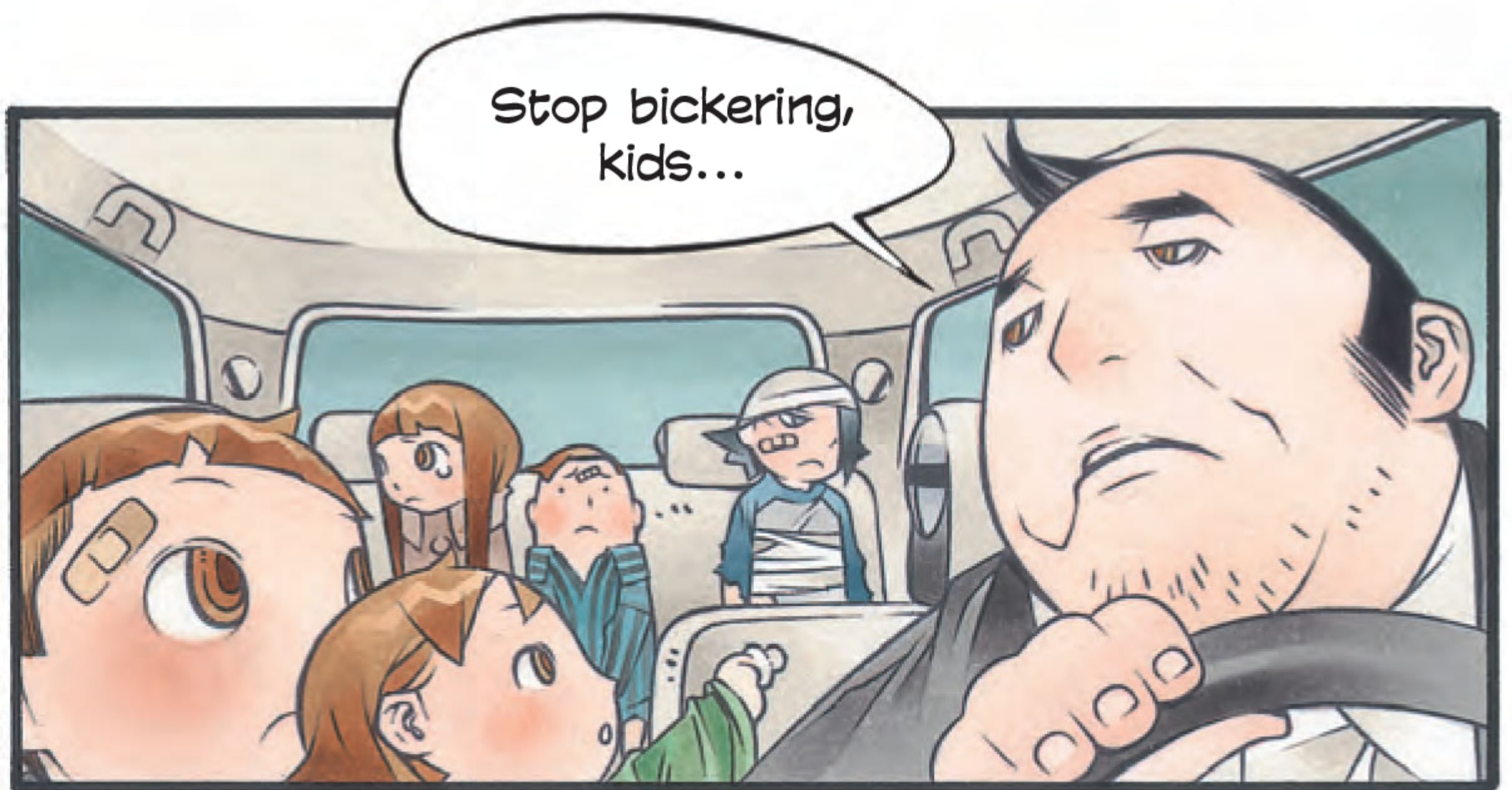
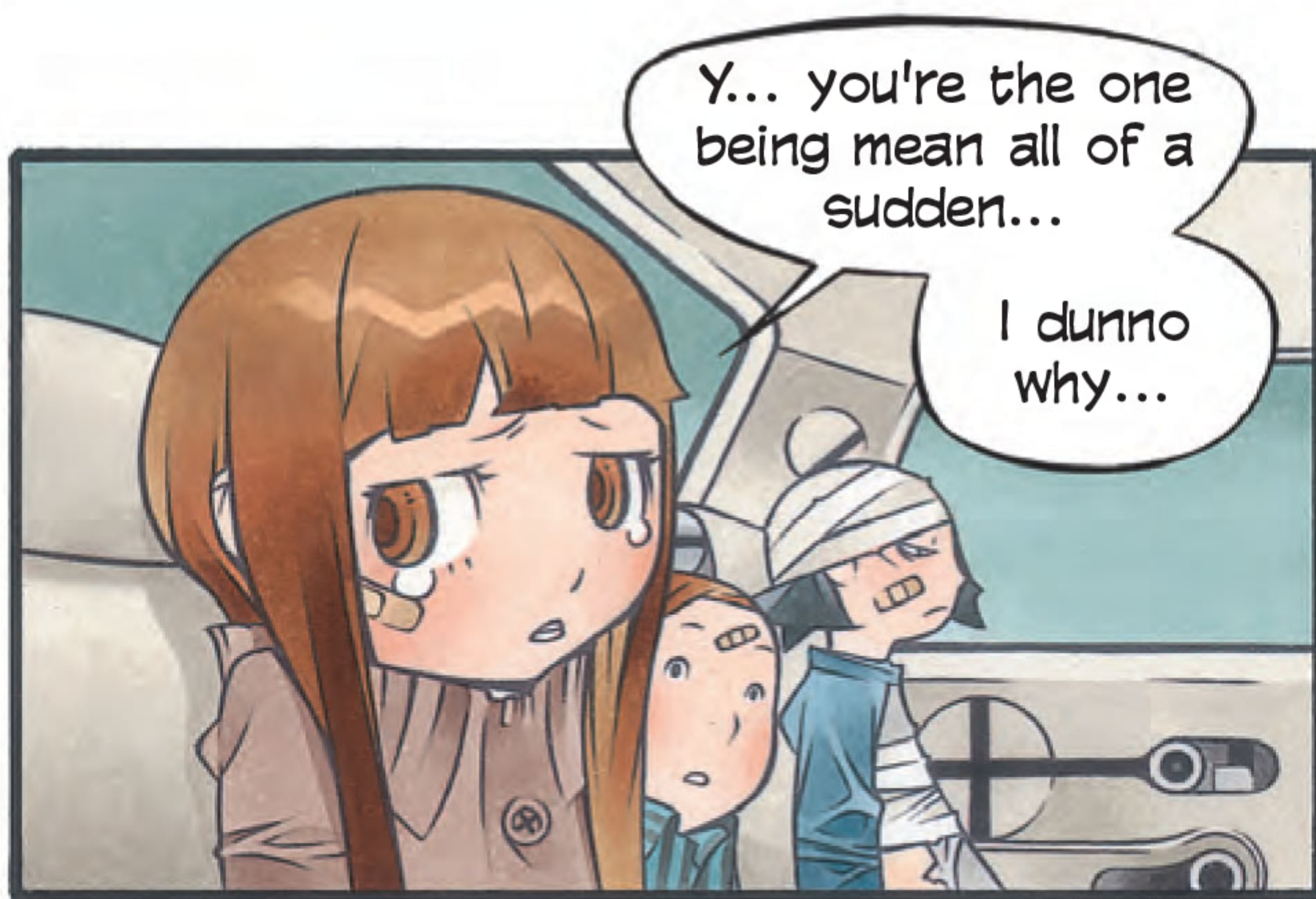
Why are you talking like some kind of book all of a sudden?

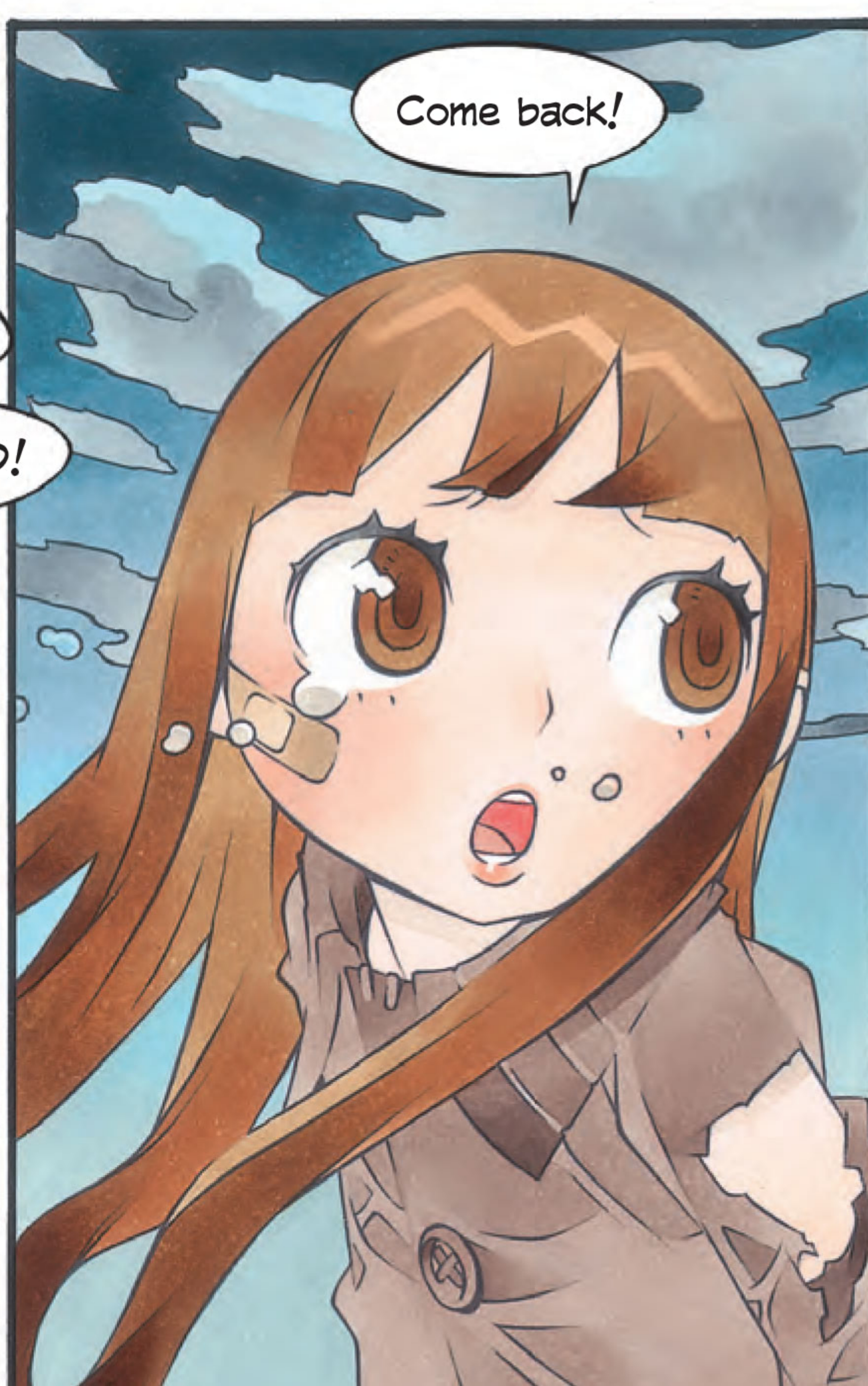
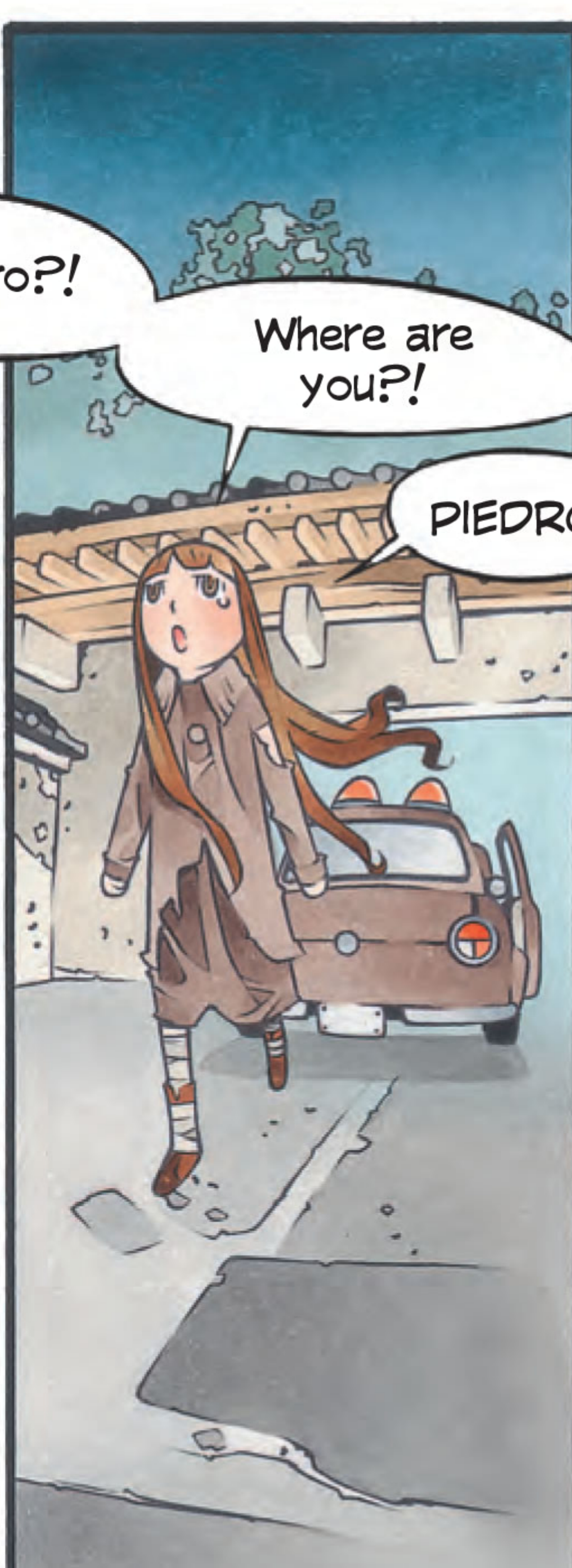
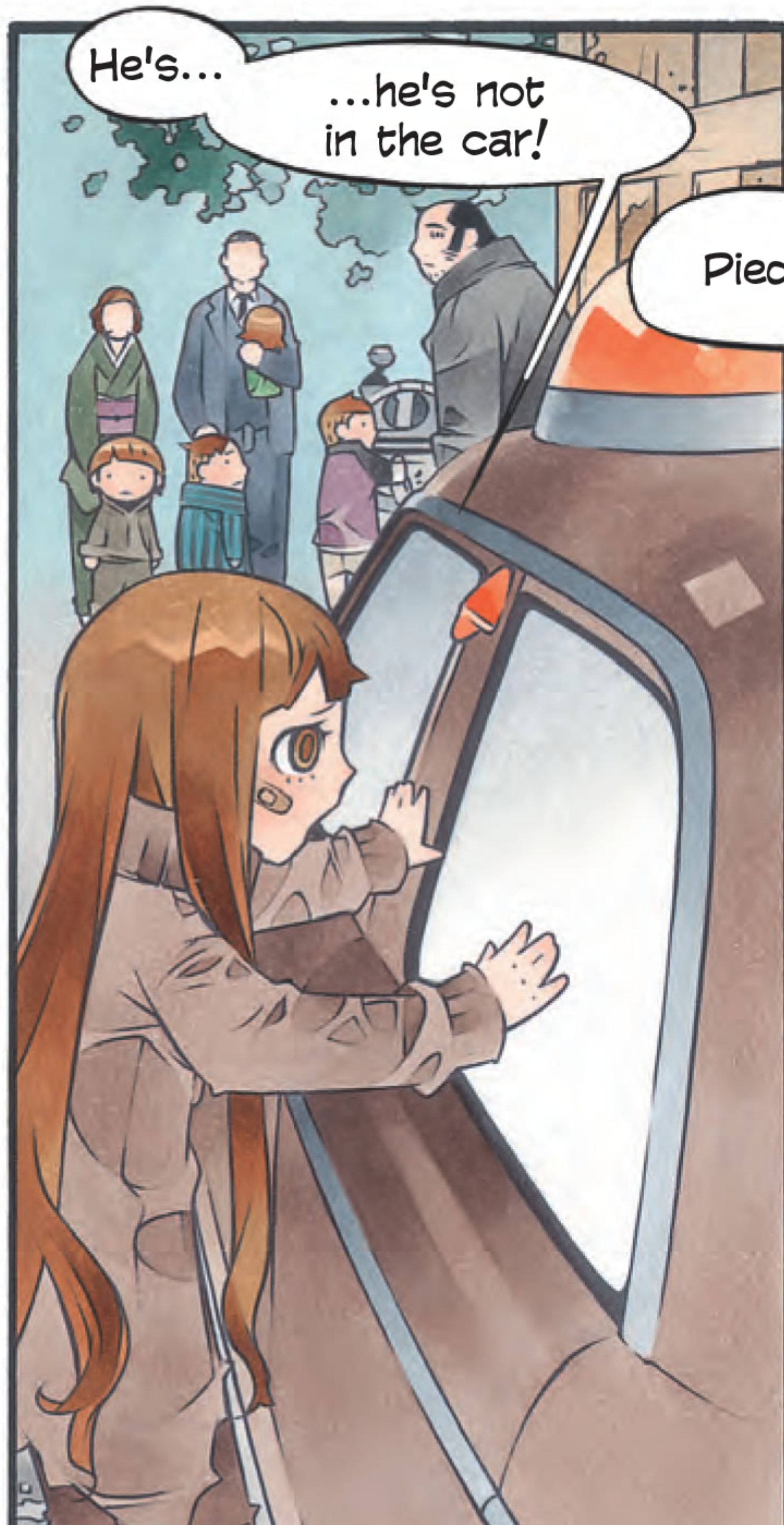
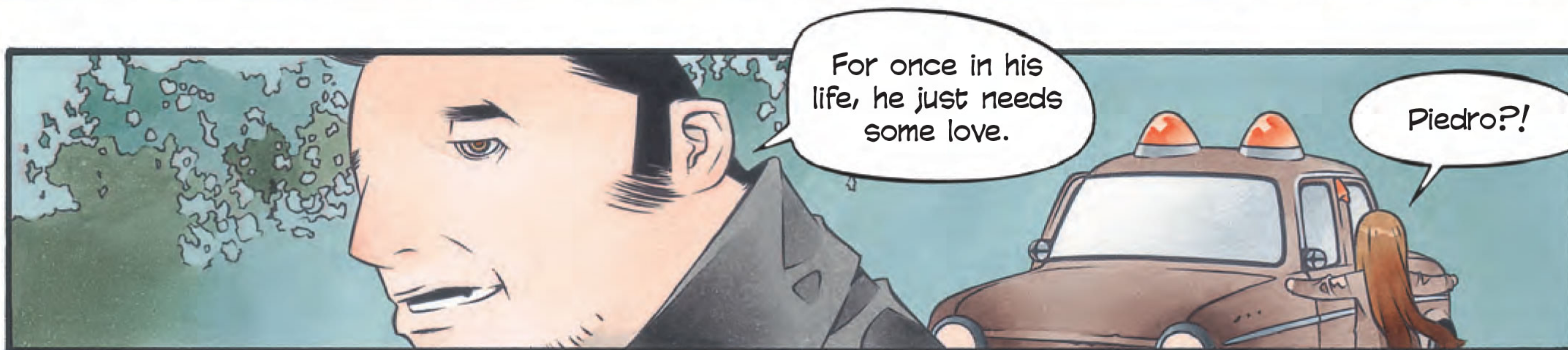
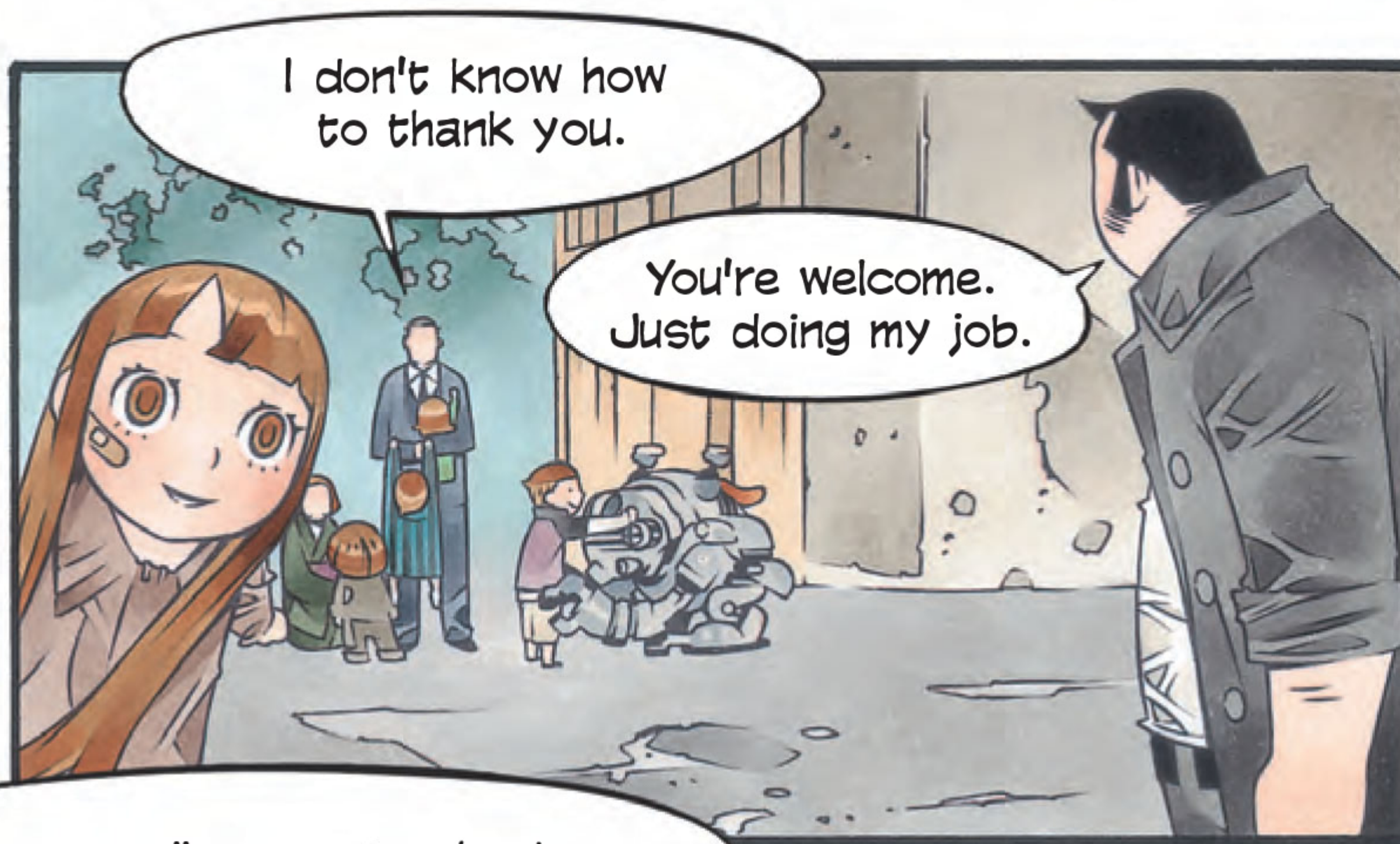
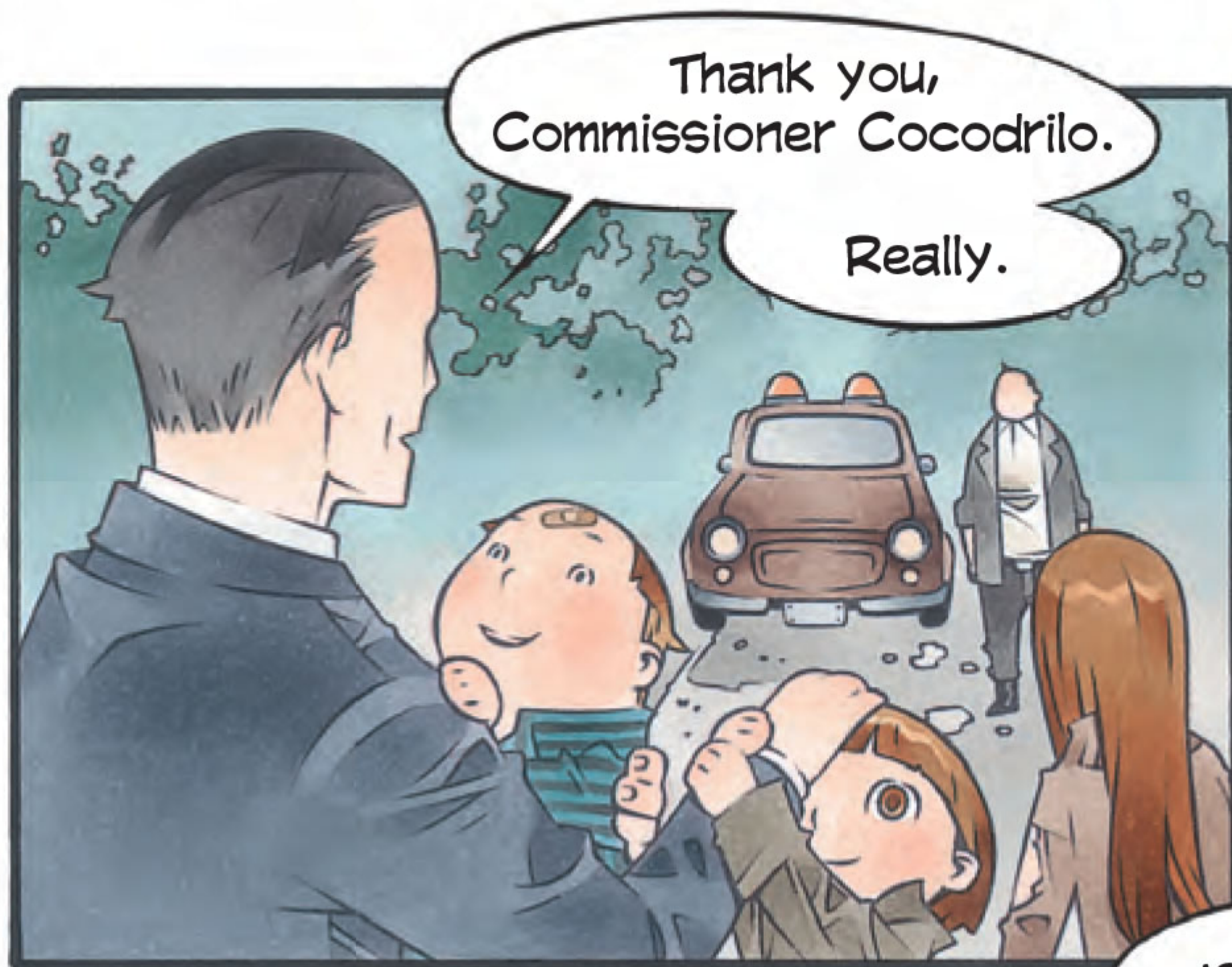
Just because we're back in the beautiful world again?



No. I'm talking completely normally.

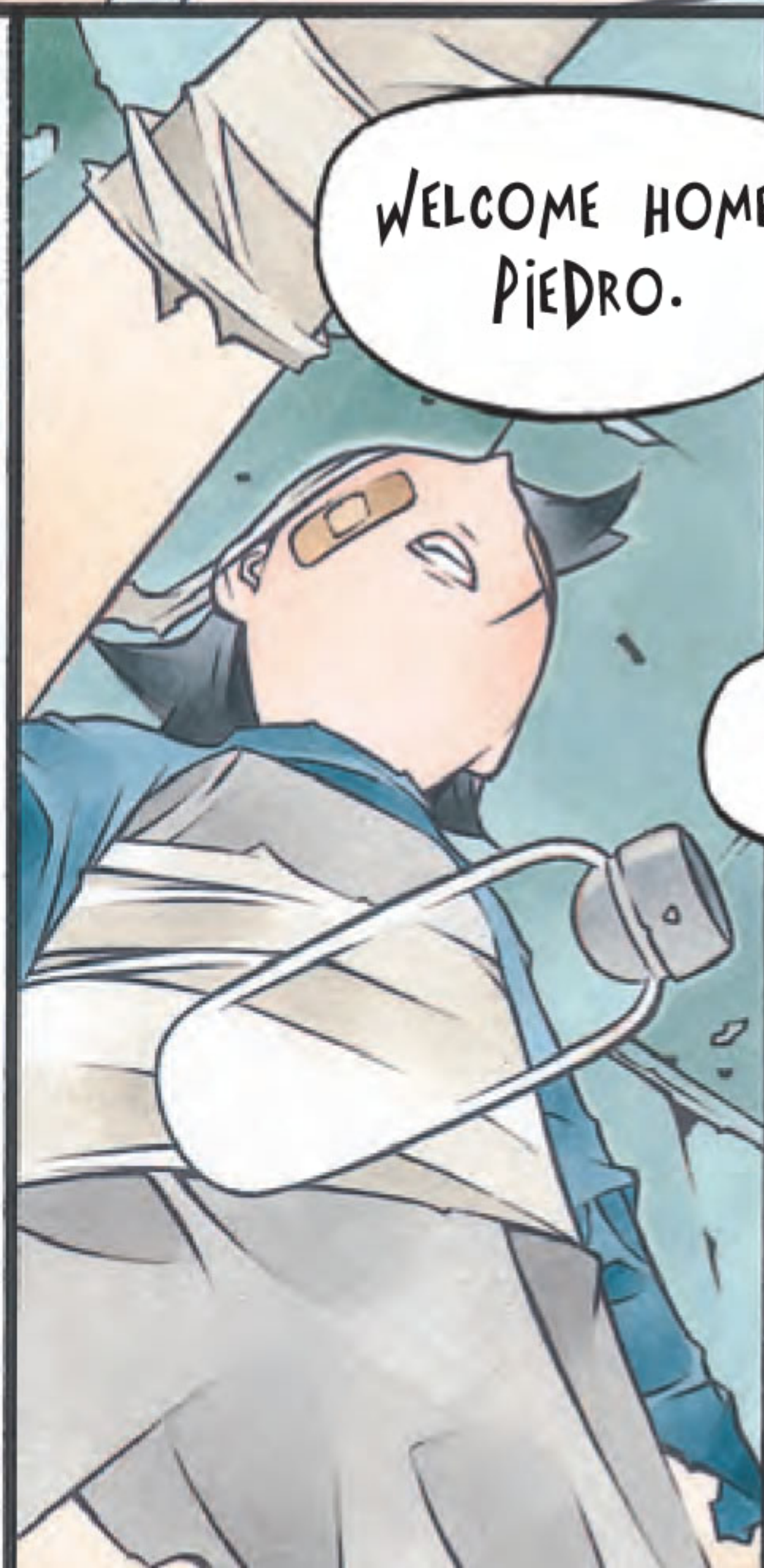
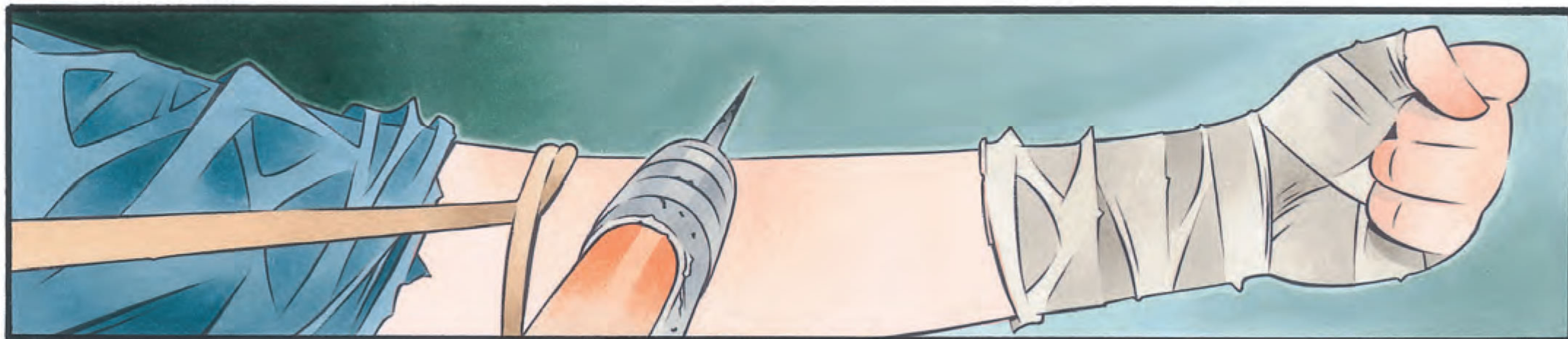
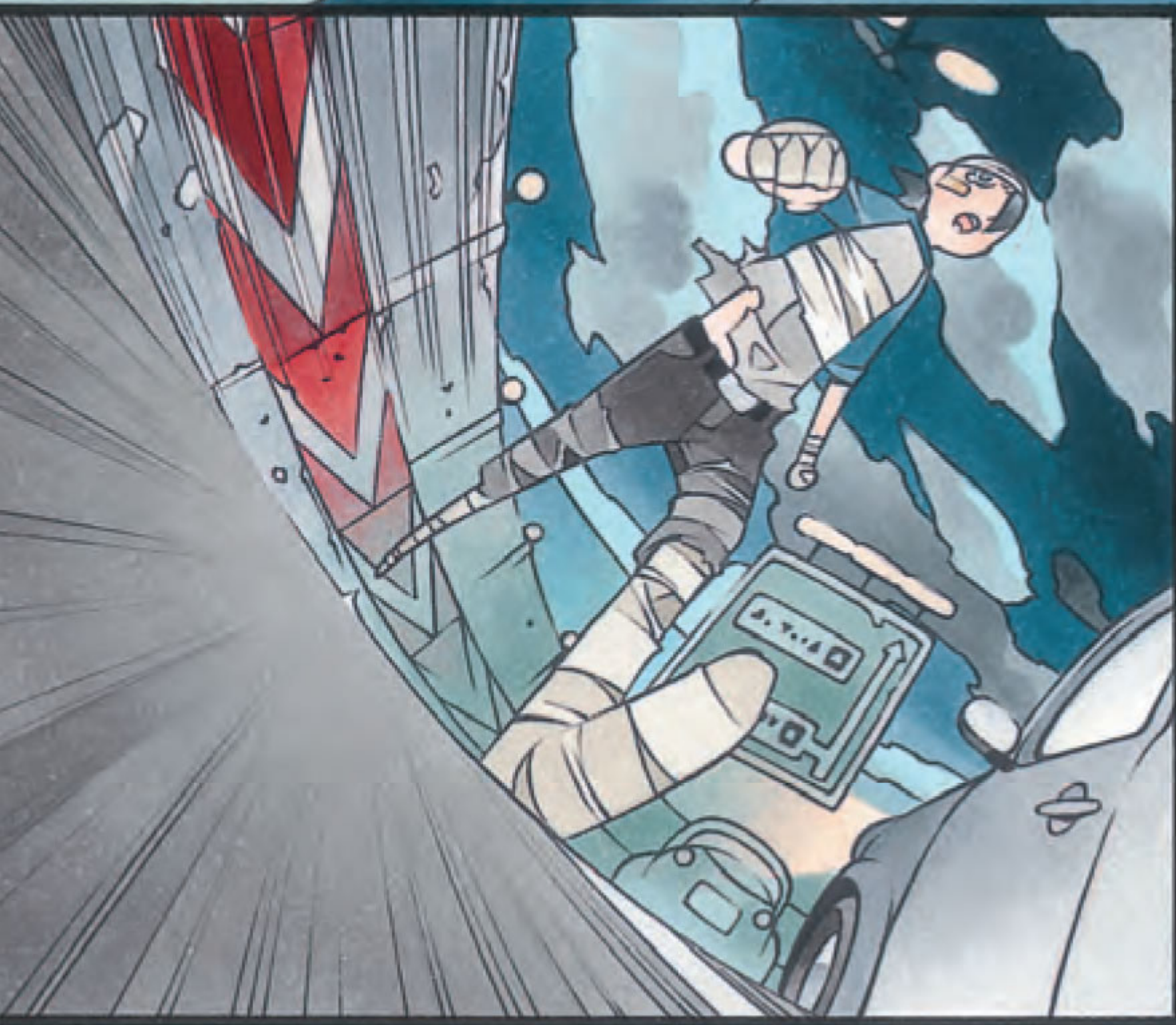
You should record yourself. You'll hear it...







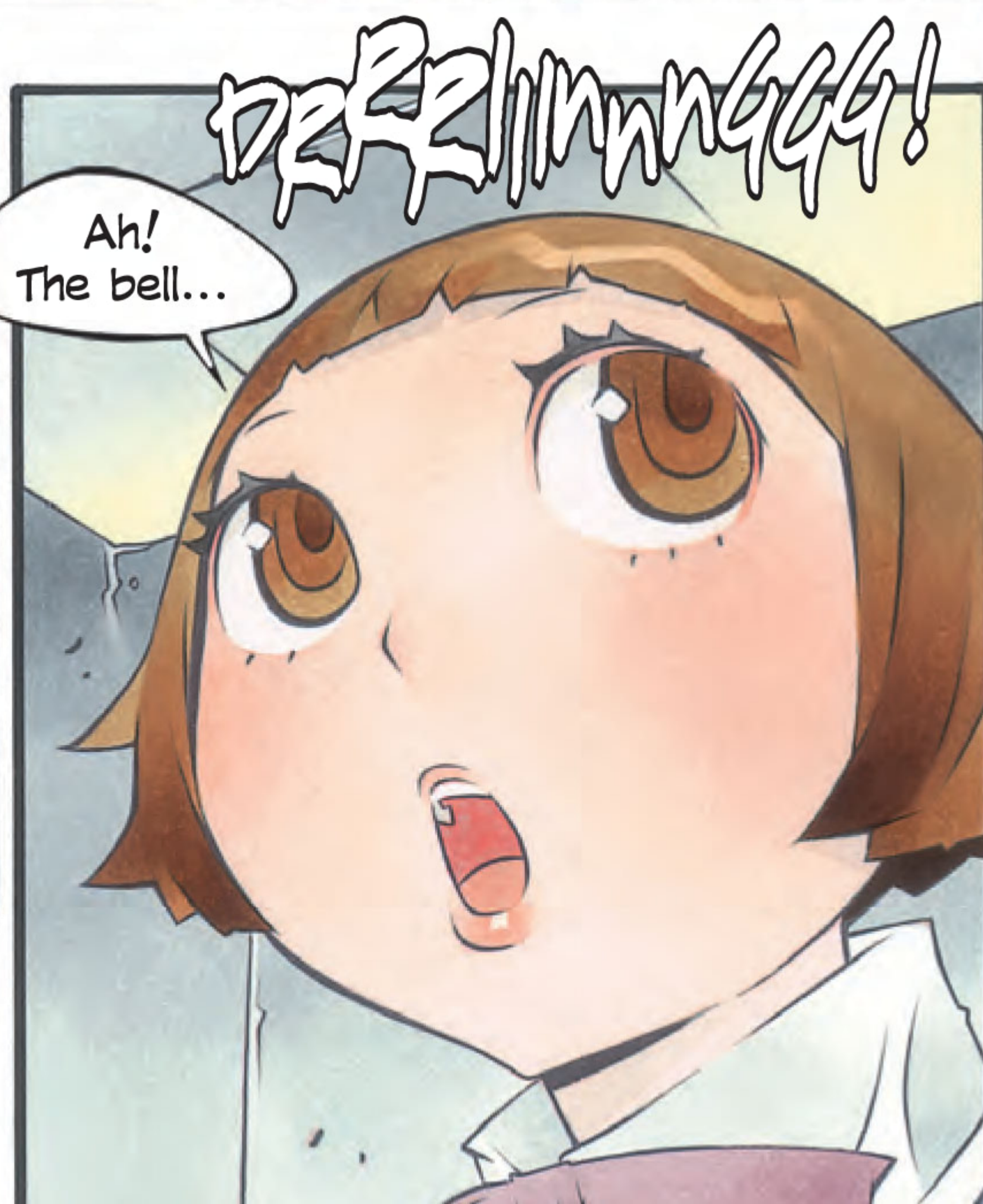
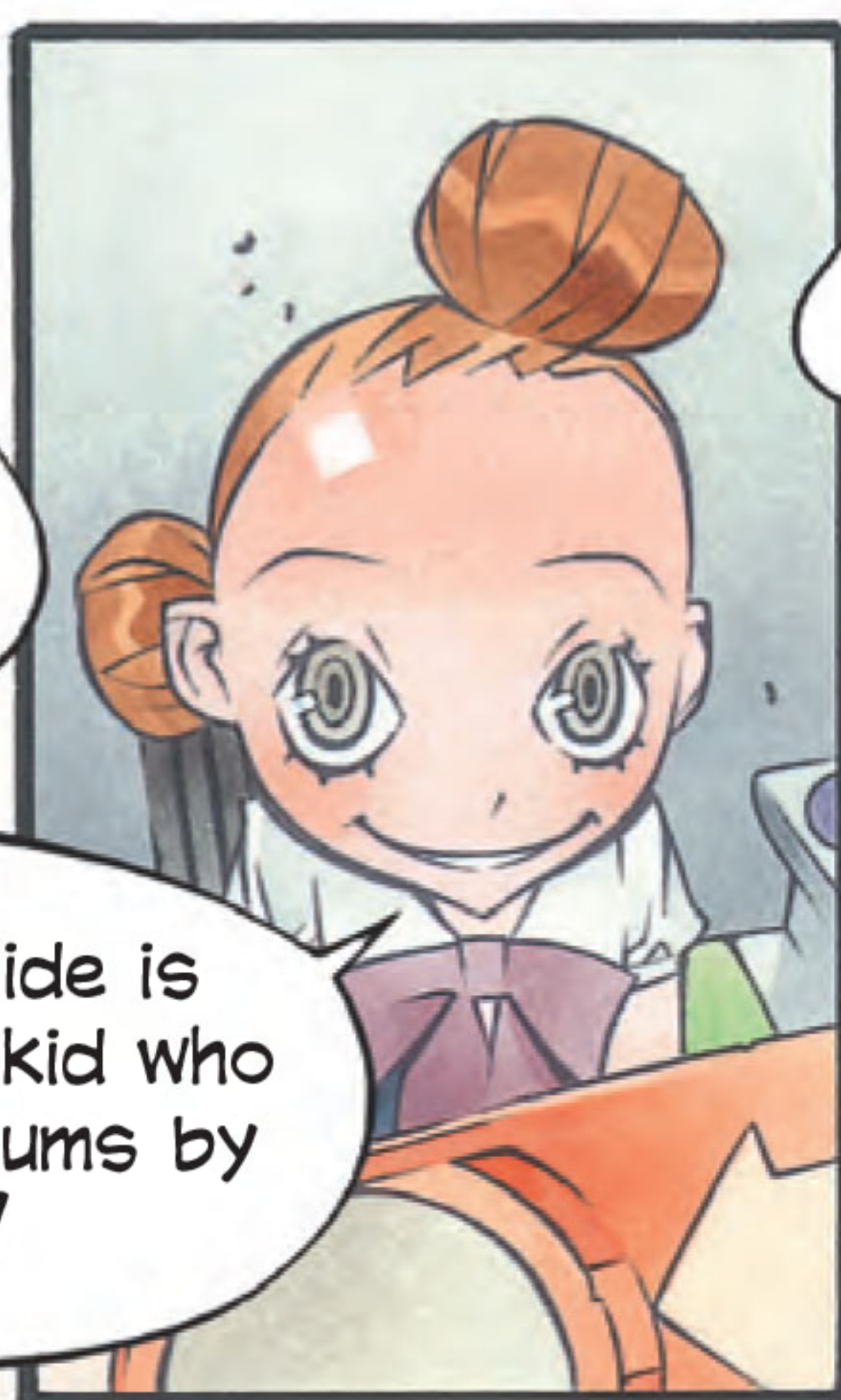
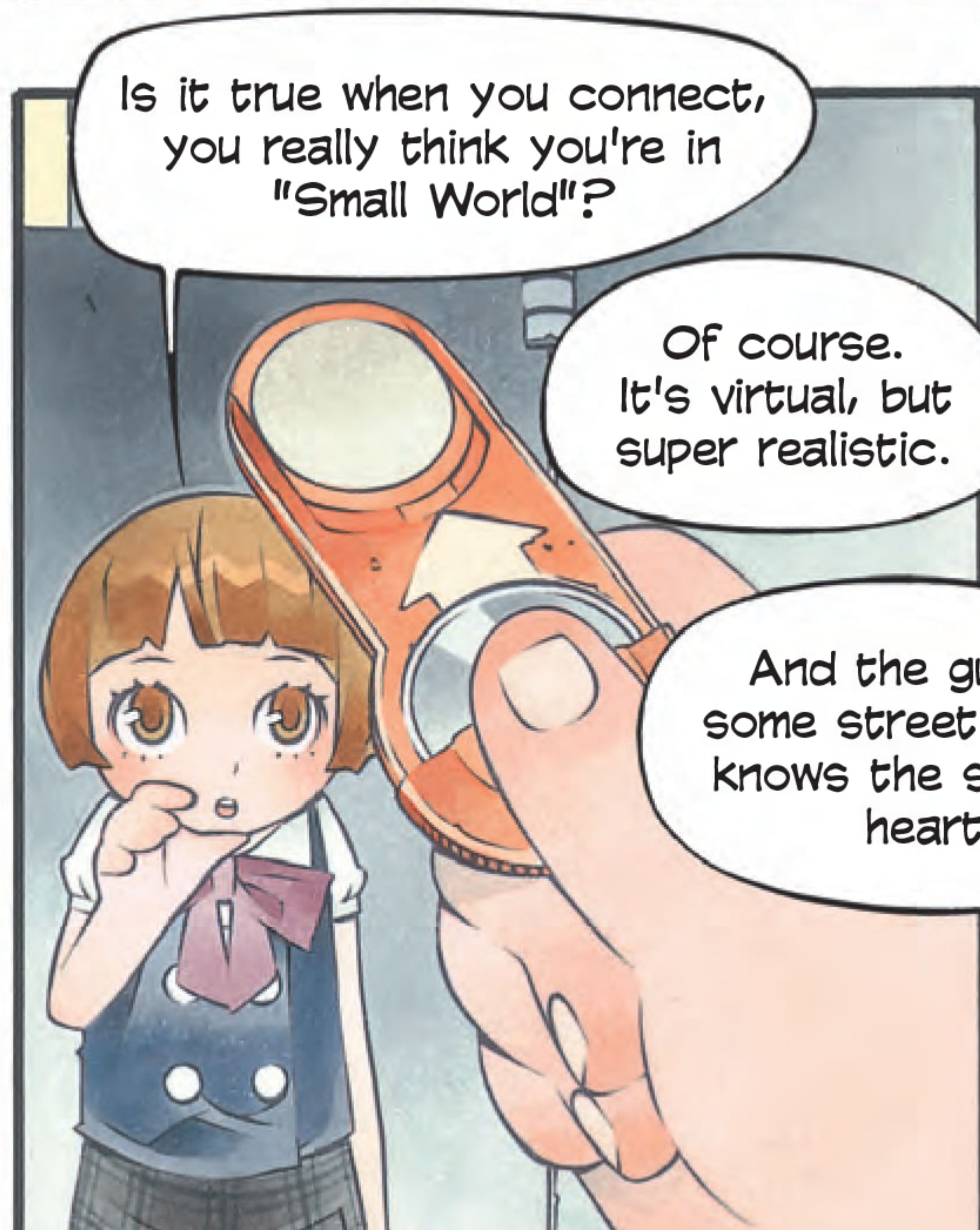
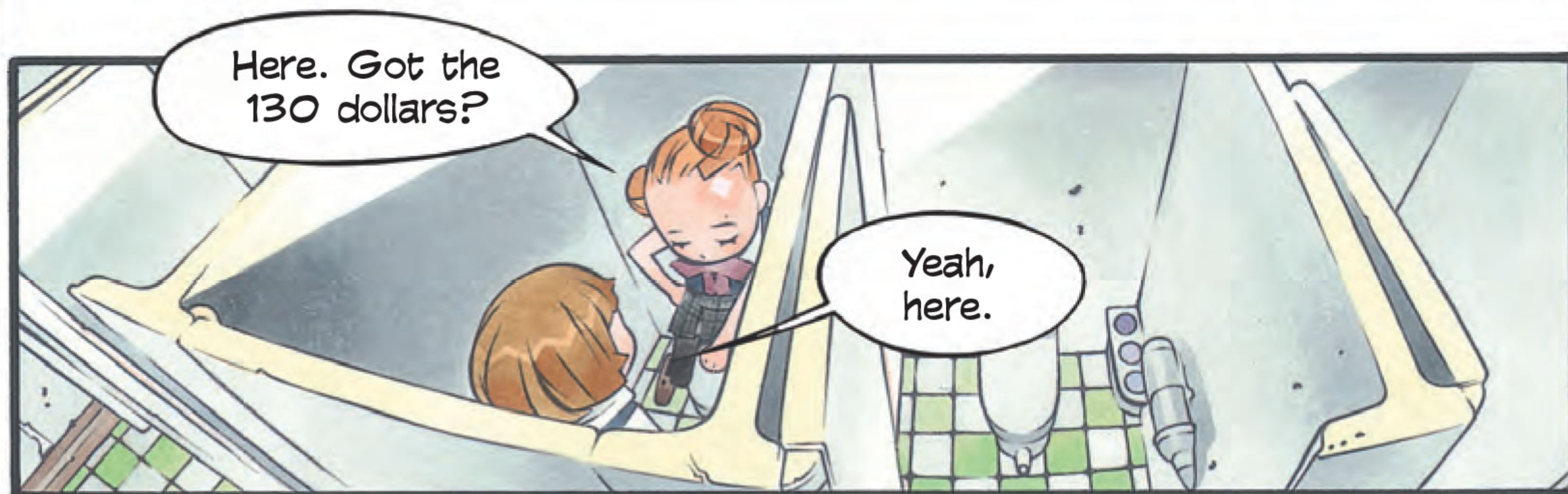
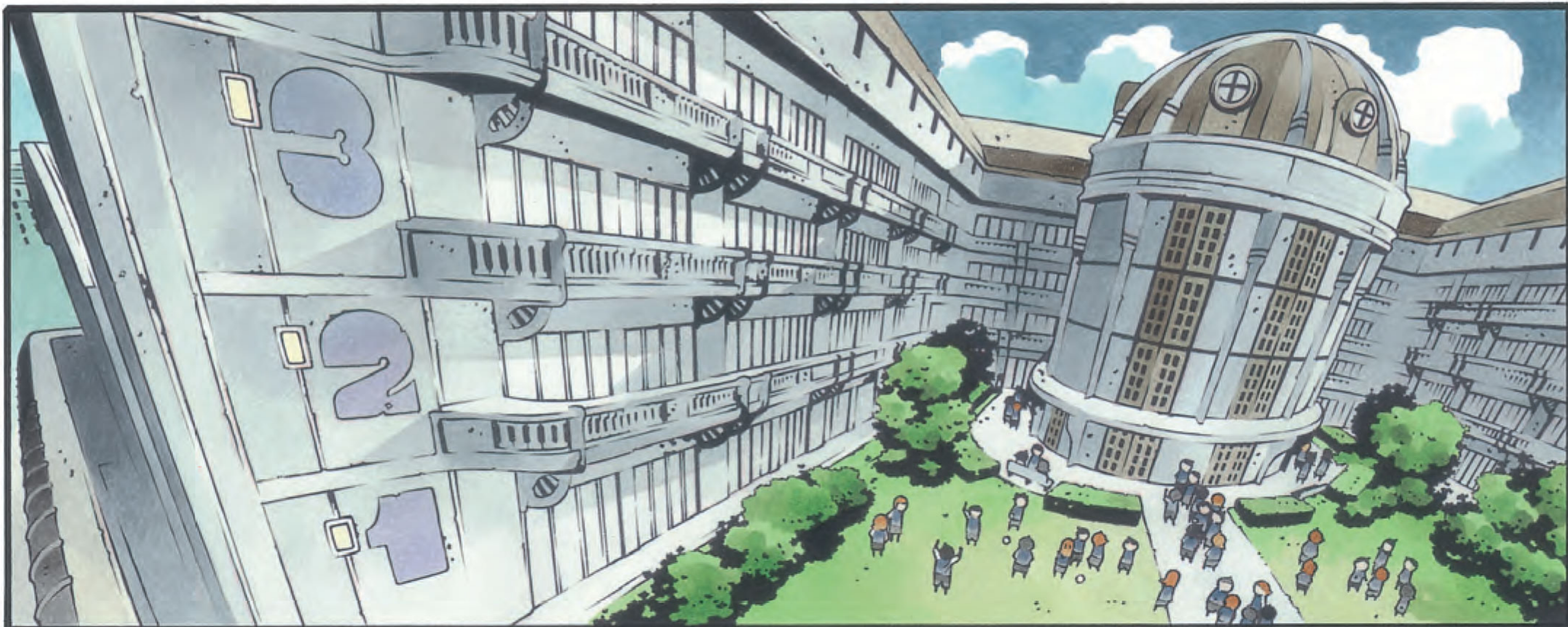
COME BACK!



WELCOME HOME,
PIEDRO.



I KNEW YOU'D
MISS ME.

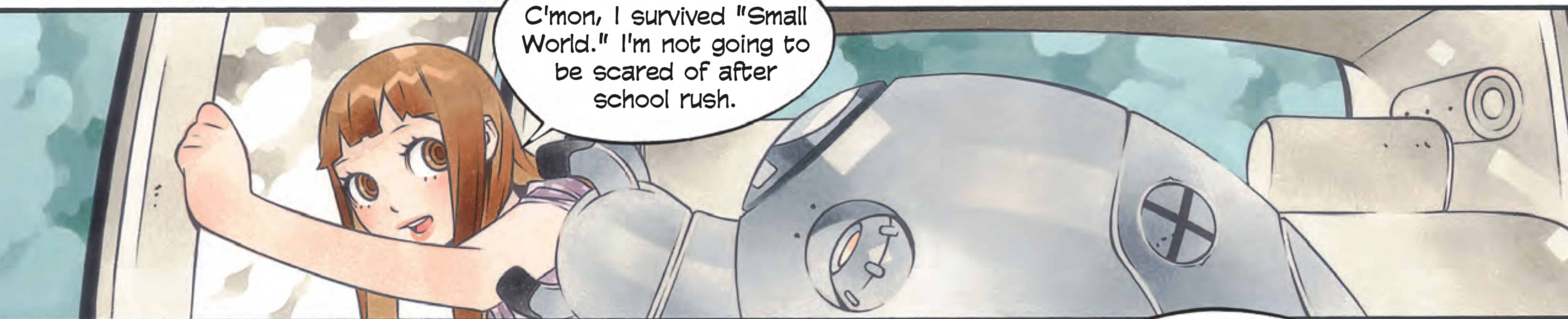
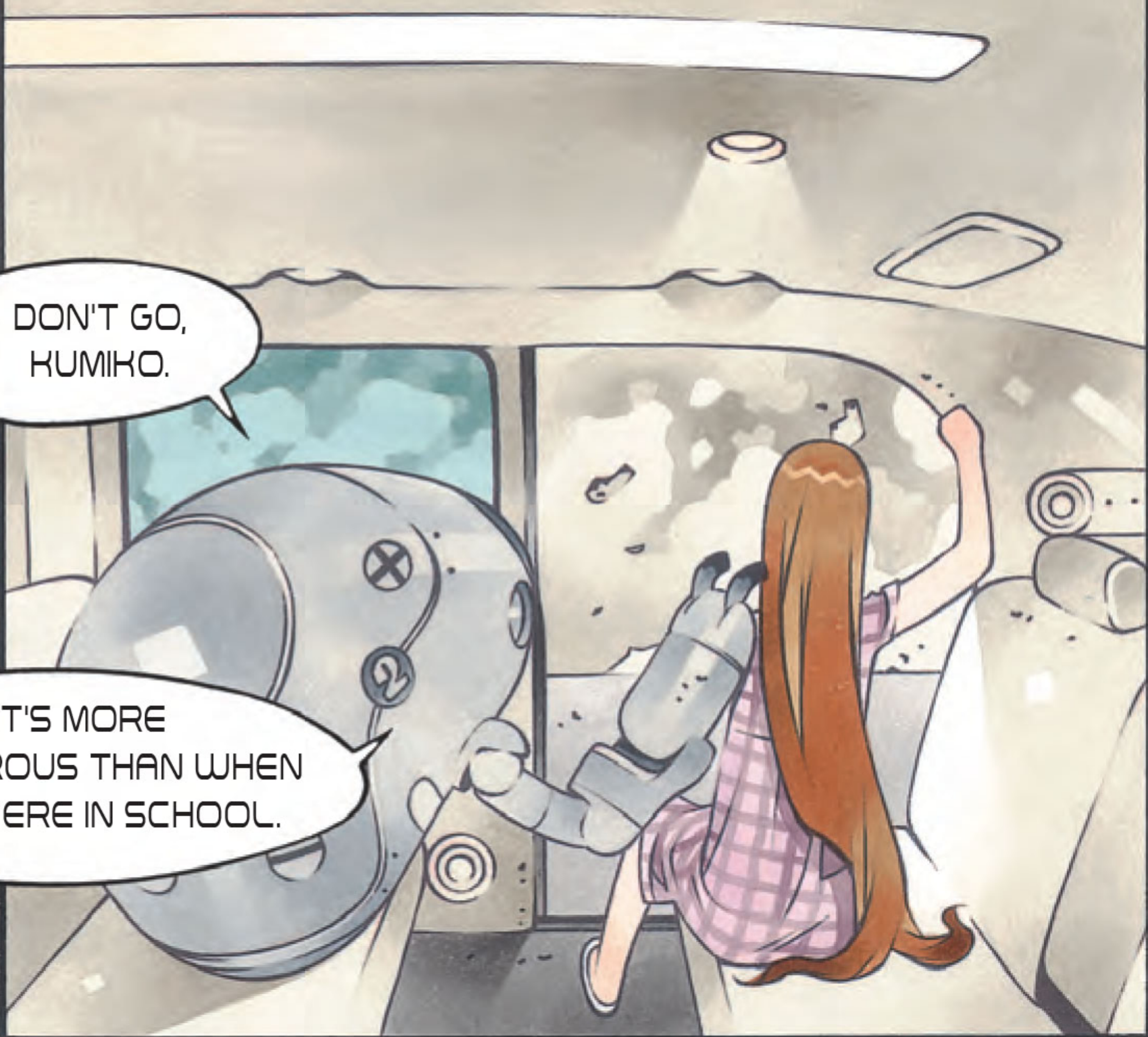




...Mom must be waiting outside.

DON'T GO, KUMIKO.

IT'S MORE DANGEROUS THAN WHEN YOU WERE IN SCHOOL.



C'mon, I survived "Small World." I'm not going to be scared of after school rush.



It's her!



Kumiko!



I came back to find you!



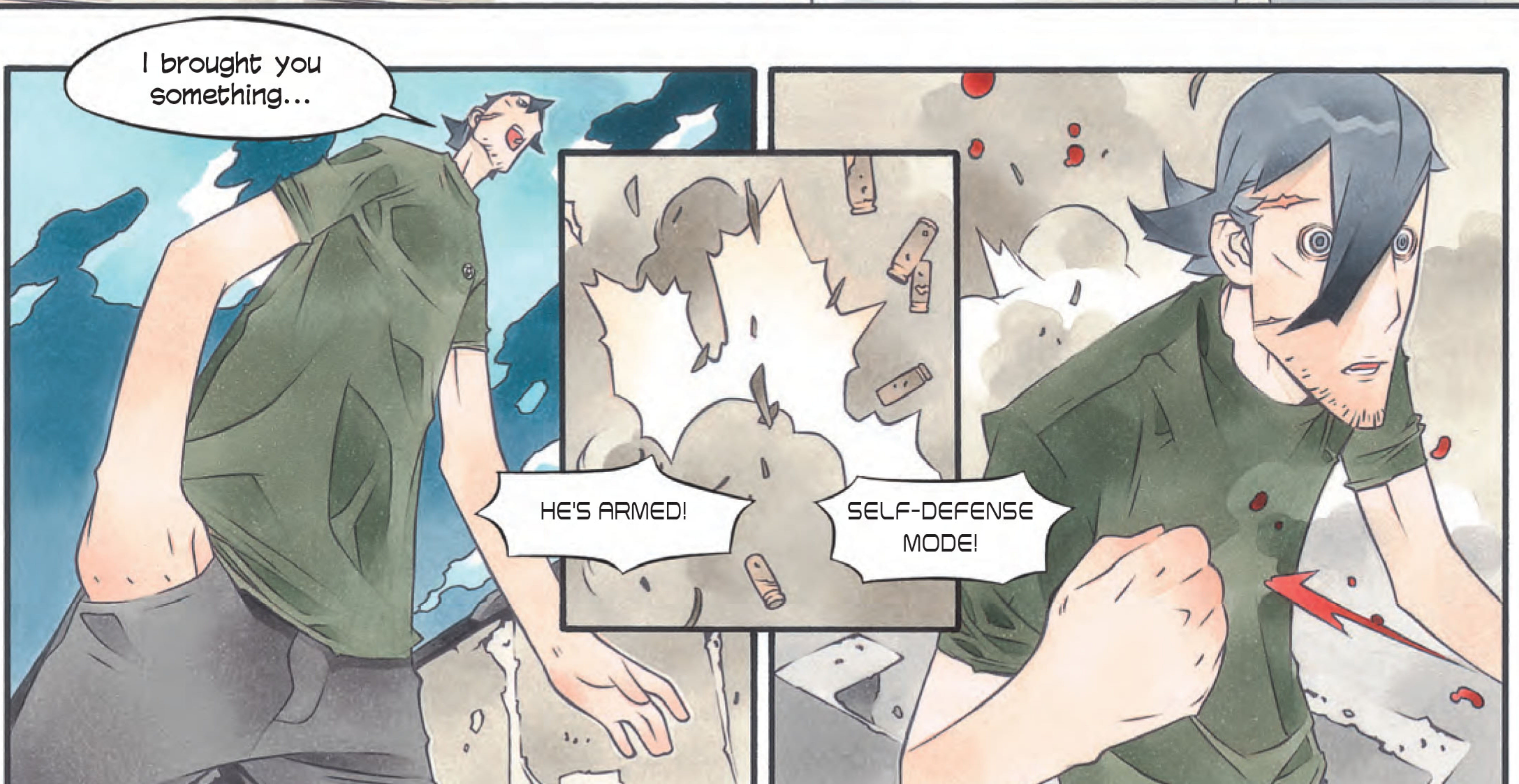
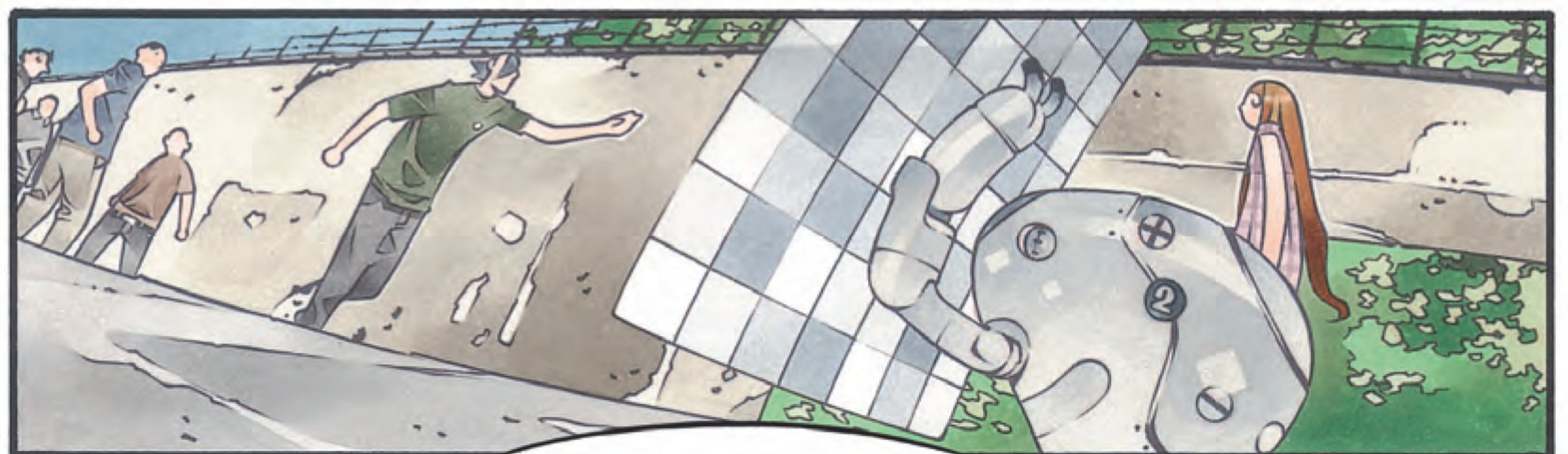
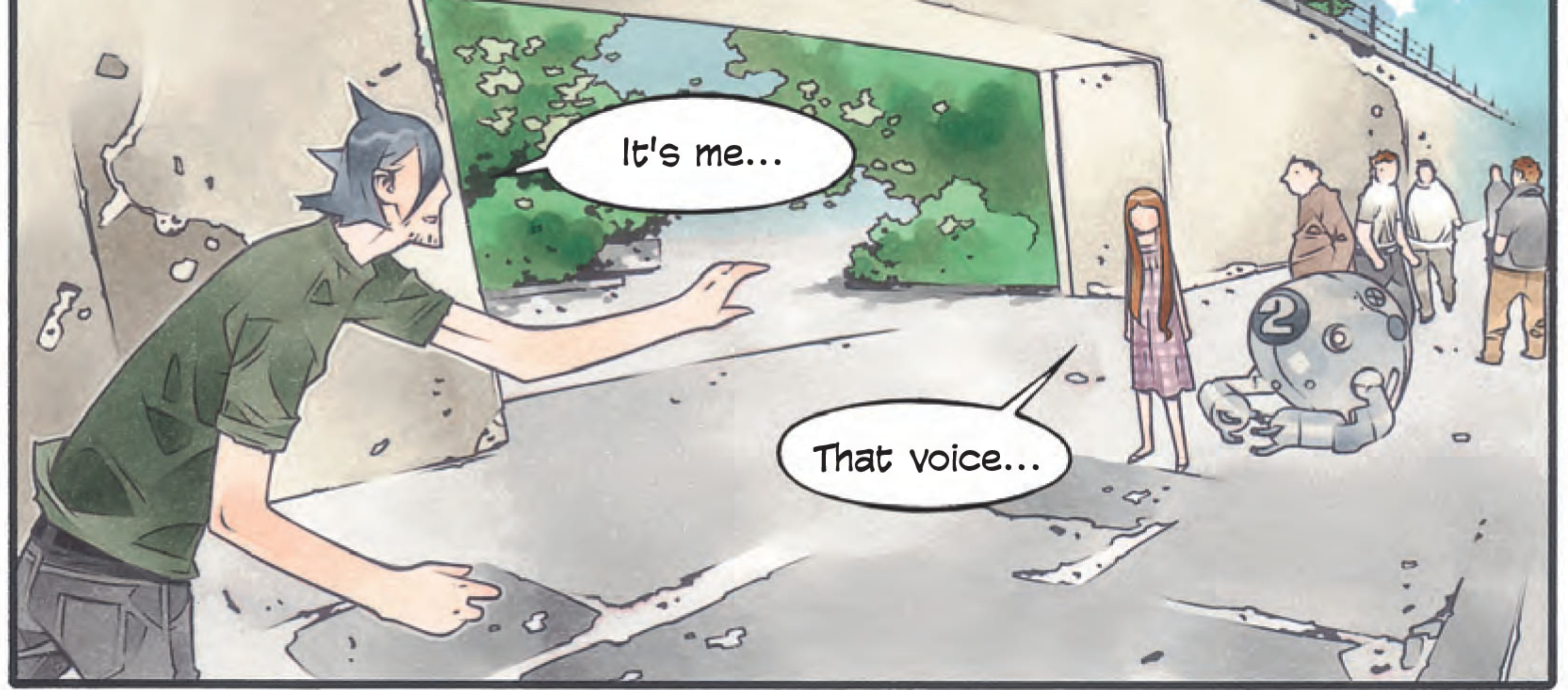
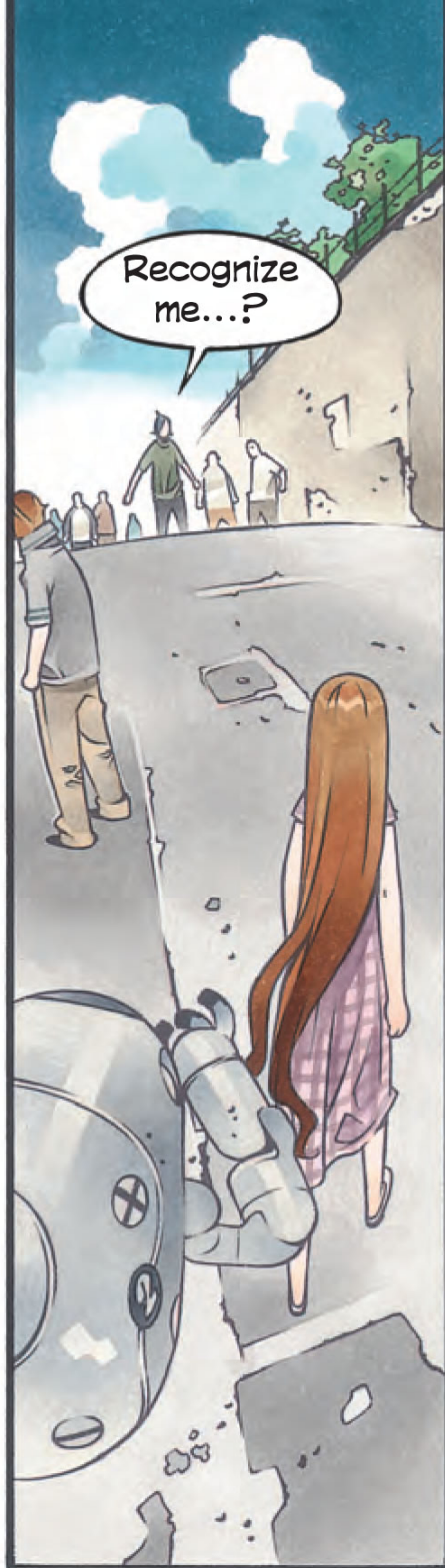
I couldn't before, but I just got out of prison!

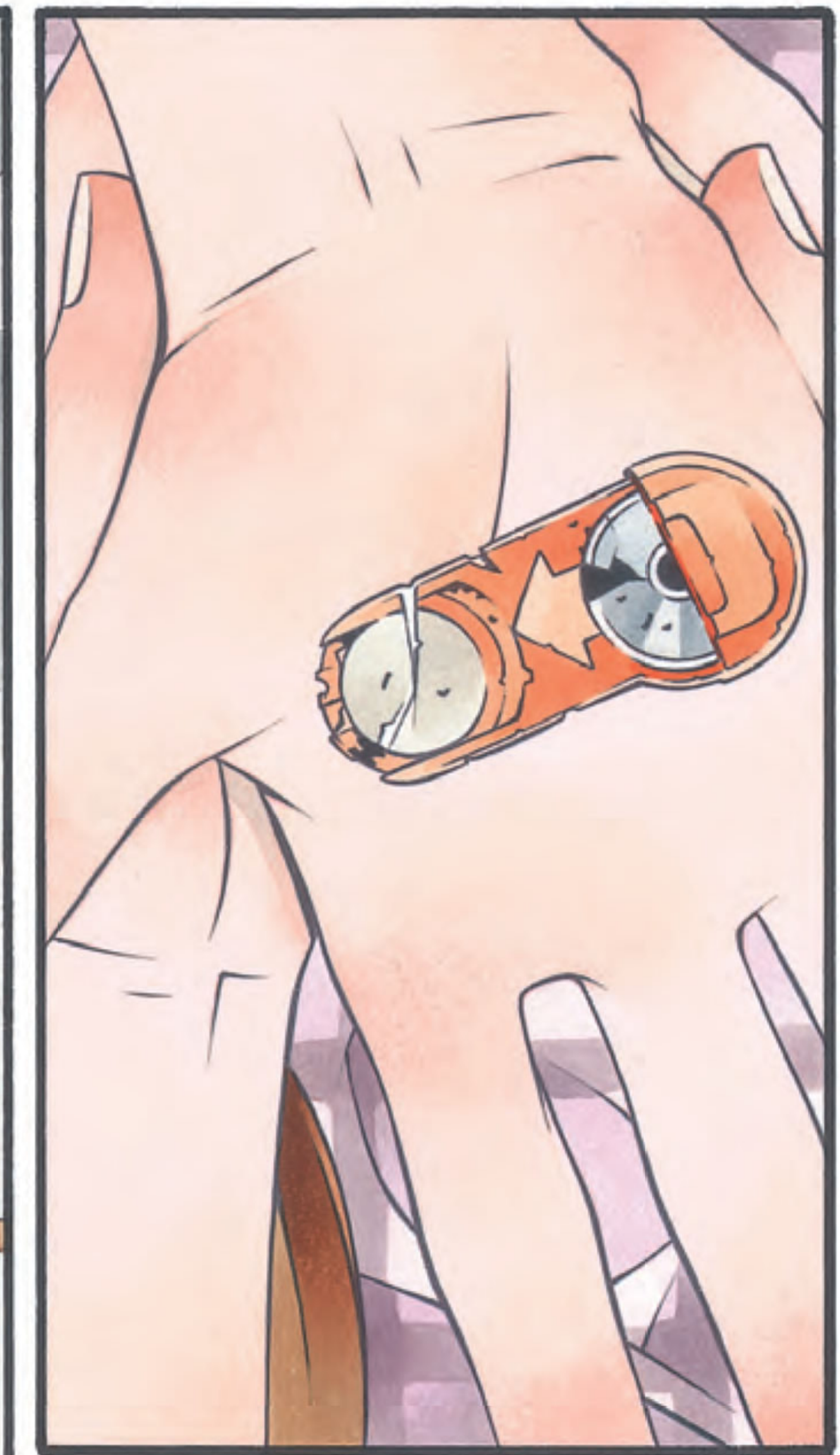
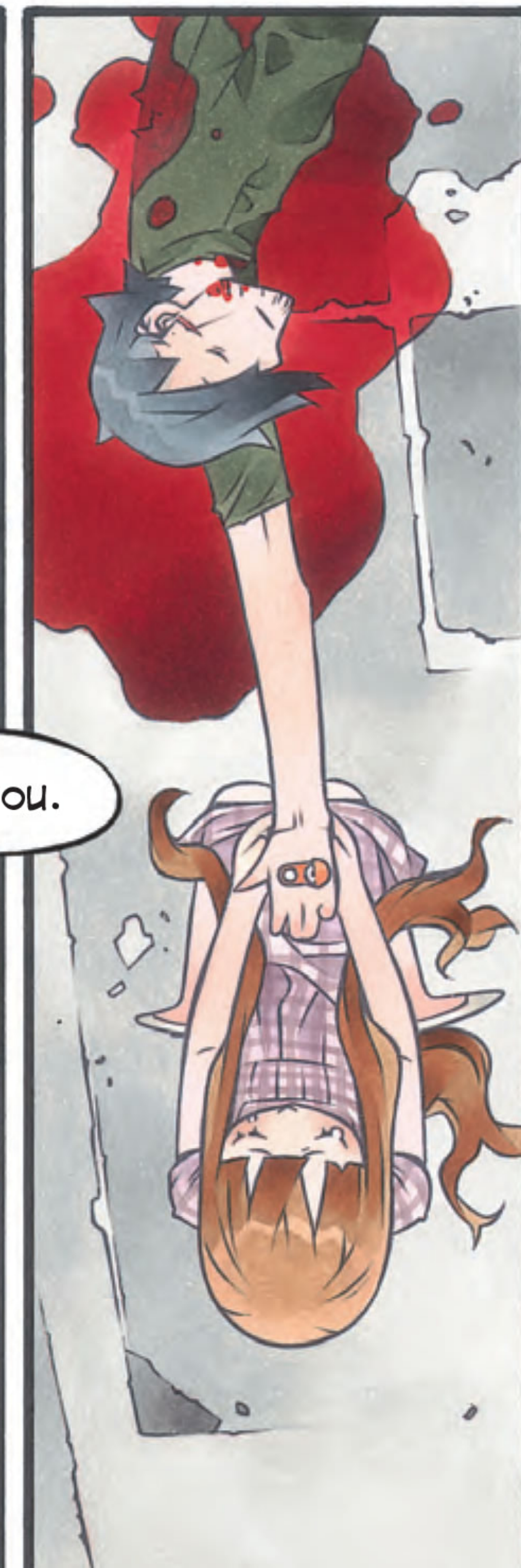
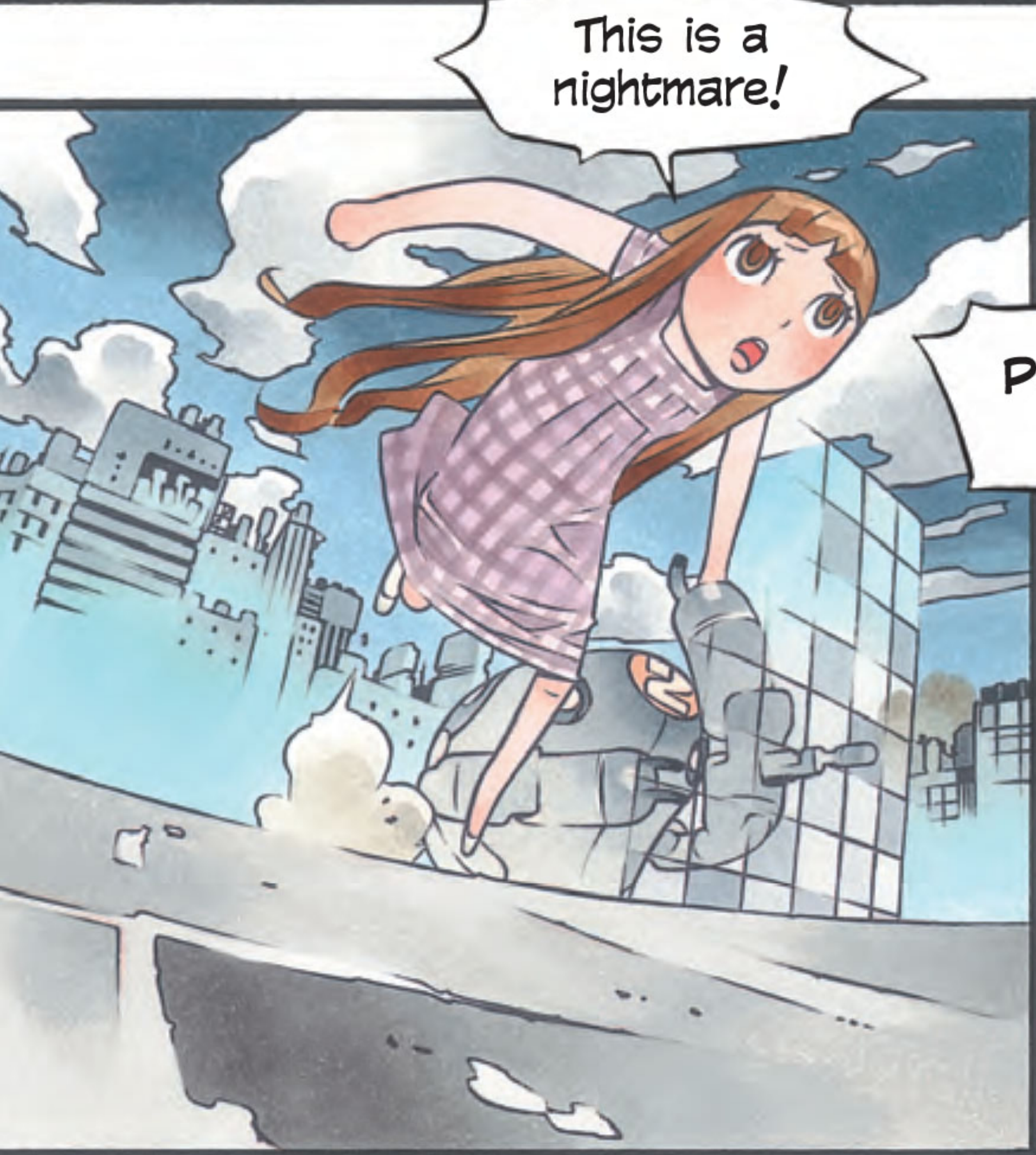
I shoulda stayed with you that day so long ago...

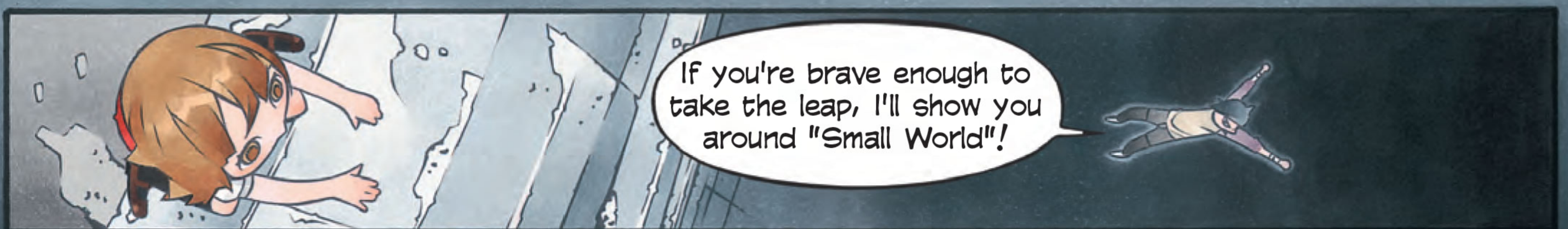
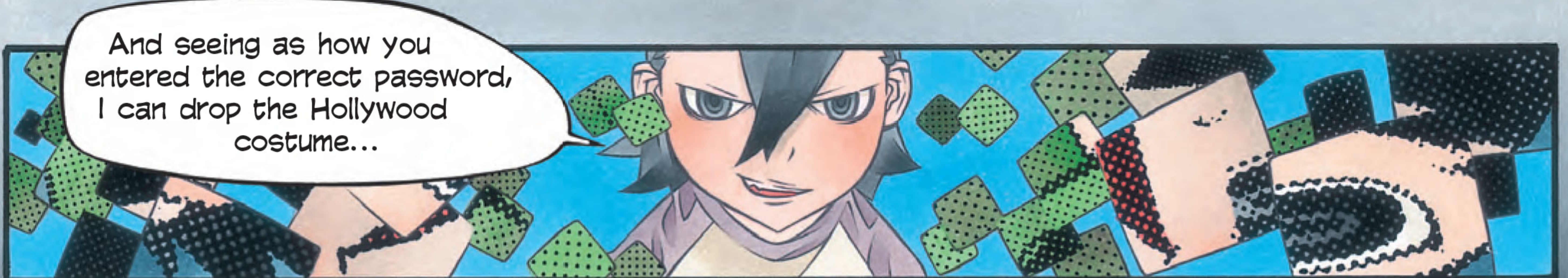
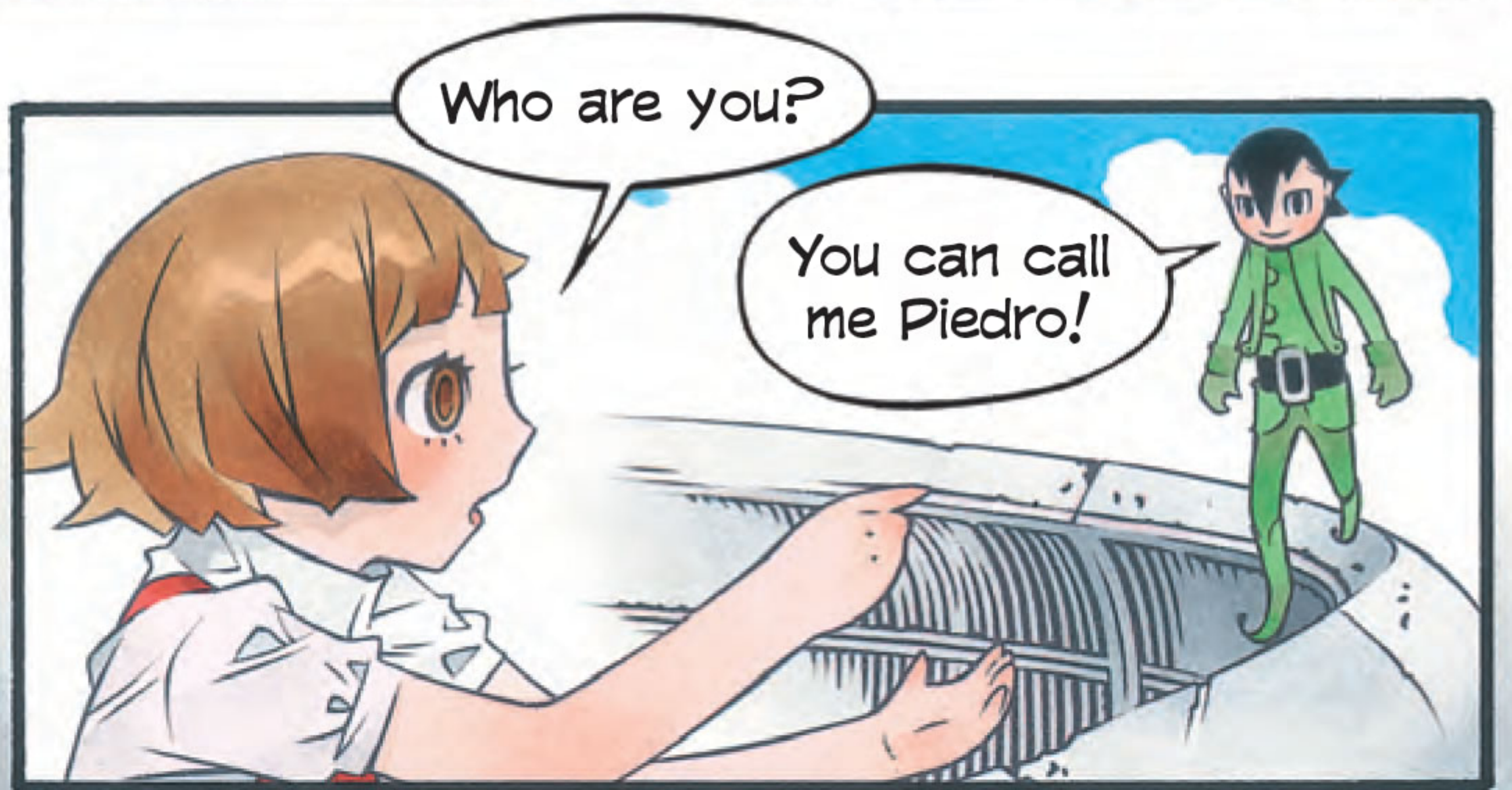
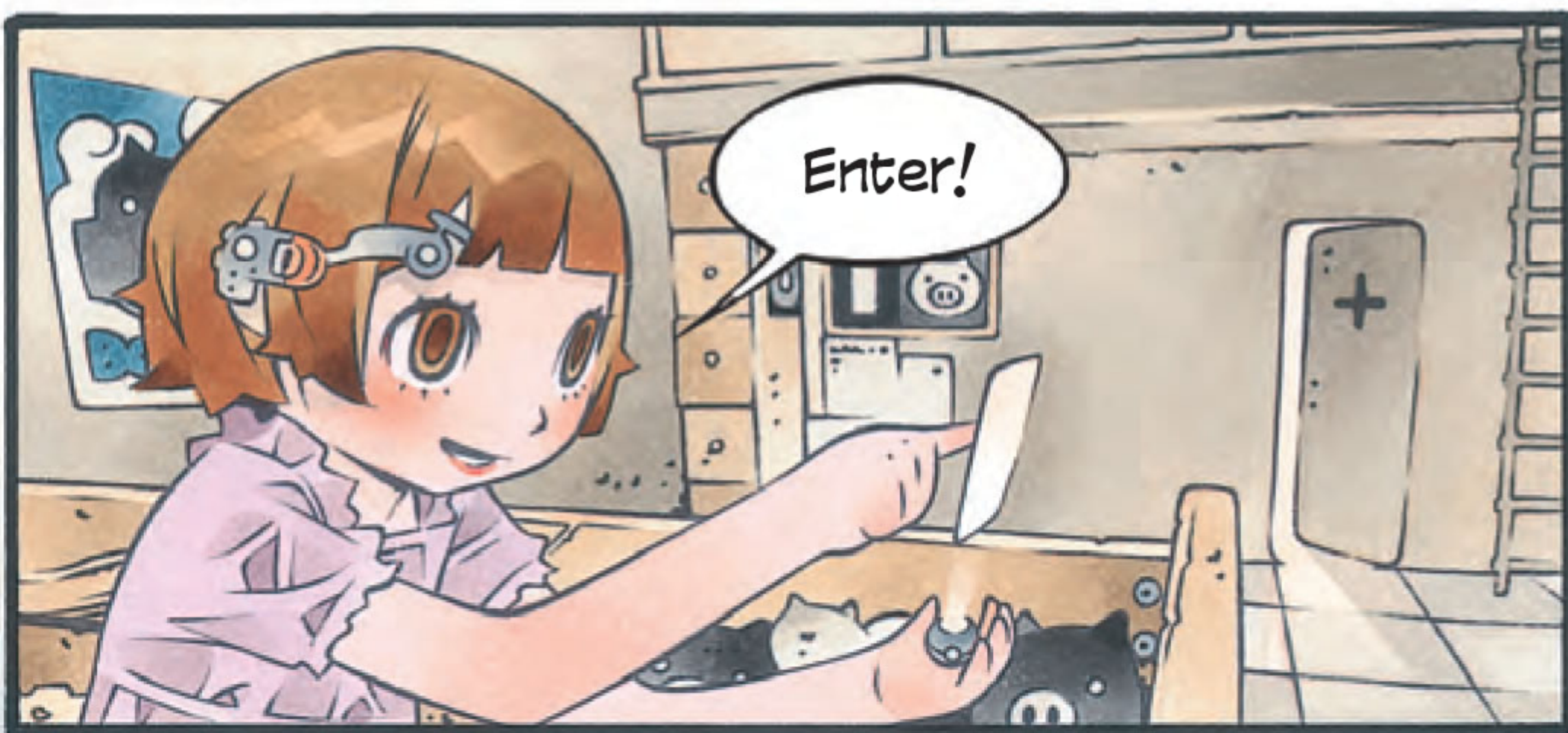
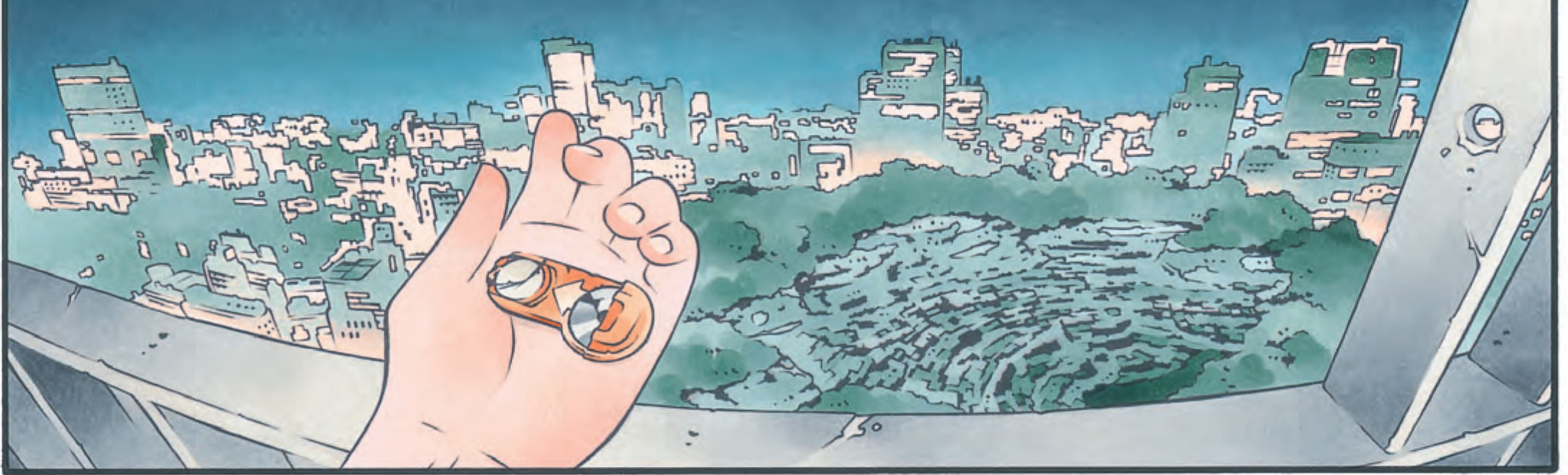


...but it's not too late, if you give me another chance!

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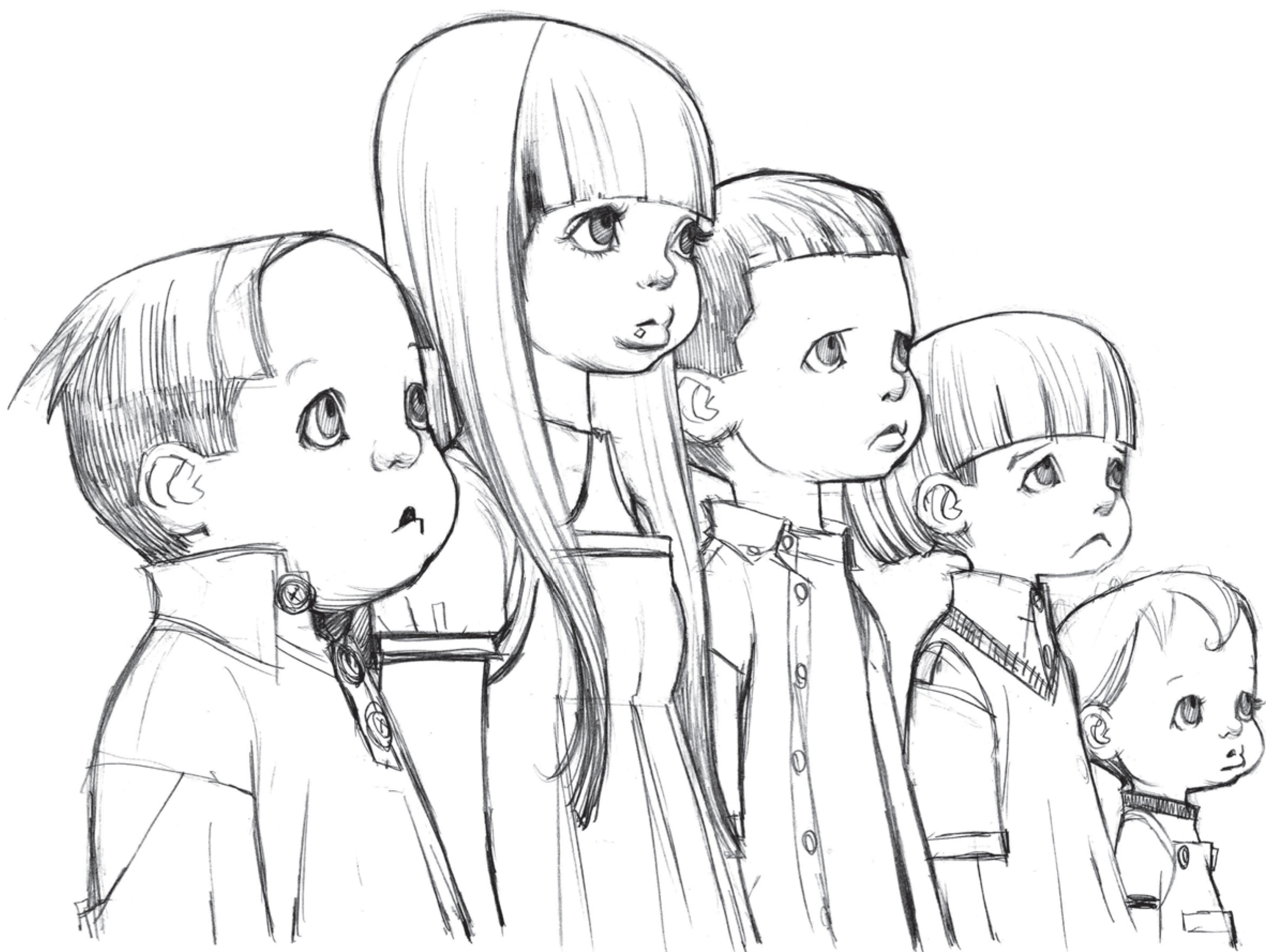


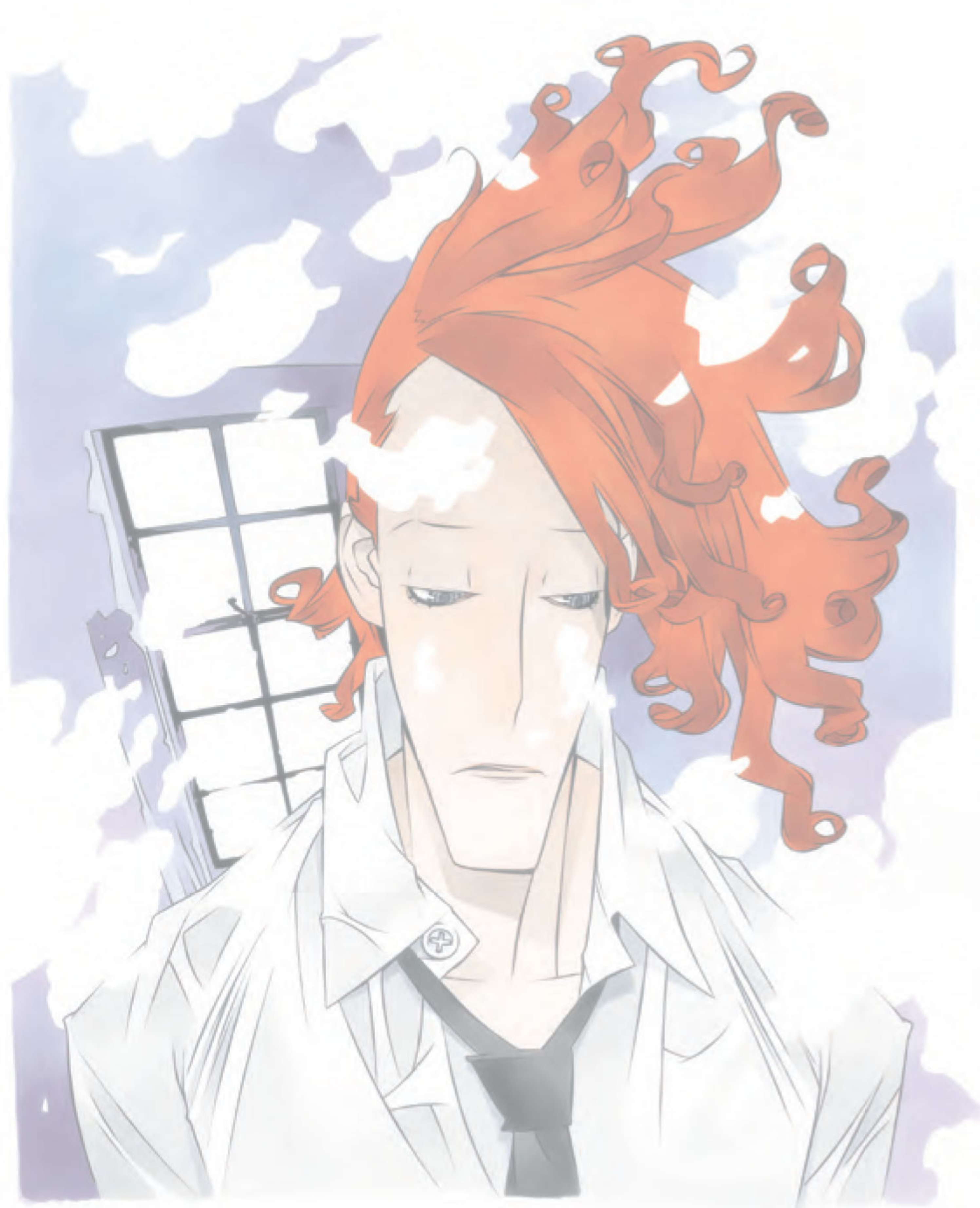












JD MORVAN

Born in Reims, France, in 1969, JD Morvan took the little world of French comics by storm. He graduated from the Institut Saint-Luc in Brussels, where he first aspired to be an illustrator, though he was convinced that he'd actually end up being a writer. After penning several major titles, including *NOMAD* and *HK* for Glénat, he created the wildly popular series *SILLAGE* for Delcourt, establishing himself as one of the most sought-after writers in French comics. Extremely prolific, he has created several series for Dargaud, including *MON ANNEE* with Jiro Taniguchi, *AL'TOGO*, *LE PETIT MONDE*, *REALITY SHOW*, and *NAJA*. He also authored a number of volumes of *SPIROU & FANTASIO*, with illustrator Jose-Luis Munuera, as well as the *MERLIN* series, co-created with Joann Sfar and Munuera. In 2011, he created *CRIME SCHOOL*, a manga-flavored series for kids, which was nominated for an award at the annual BD festival in Angoulême. He launched the series *SPY GAMES* with Korean artist Kim Jung Gi. His most recent notable successes include *IRENA*, the true story of Irena Sendlerowa, created with Severine Trefouel and David Evrard, and *ASHES ASHES*, illustrated by Rey Macutey, based on the classic sci-fi novel of the same name by Rene Barjavel.

TORU TERADA

Born in the Shizuoka district, Toru Terada moved to Tokyo after high school and landed his first illustration work with celebrated mangaka Atsuji Kamijo, best known for the manga series *SEX* and *TO-Y*. After years of illustrating book covers, CDs, and magazine ads, Toru made his solo comic debut with the publication of *SMALL WORLD* (originally released in France as '*Le Petit Monde*') with scriptwriter JD Morvan, published by Dargaud in 2005.